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Community's finest vie for Grayling Junior Miss 1996



EVERY YOUNG WOMAN A WINNER—After three months of rehearsals and suspense, 10 of Crawford County's most outstanding ladies will compete to be Grayling Junior Miss 1996 on Saturday night. But last Tuesday, each and every girl was recognized for her excellence by Kirtland Community College and the local Charter Chapter of the American Business Women's Association (ABWA). At the ABWA monthly meeting at Shoppenagon's, college President Dorothy Franke and Director of Admissions Dale Schanz, presented each Grayling Junior Miss 1996 candidate with a \$250 scholarship.

More scholarships wait to be awarded on Saturday night at 7 p.m., at the Grayling High School auditorium. \$250 for the second runner-up; \$500 for the first runner-up; and \$1,000 for Grayling Junior Miss 1996. And, there will be a \$50 Savings Bond for Scholastic Achievement. The theme for the evening will be "Country Togetherness." These young women have worked hard to put together an entertaining evening which will display their talents at their best. It is interesting to note much of the judging and scoring has been done prior to the night of the program. The personal interview by the judges will have already been conducted and scored, together with the contestant's 400-word essay, which includes their biography and future goals to display their writing skills. All together, scoring goes like this: panel evaluation, 25 percent; scholastic achievement, 20 percent; creative and performing arts, 25 percent; physical fitness, 15 percent; poise and appearance, 15 percent.

Pictured above are (Back L to R) Kate Brunskill, Ann Becks, Angela Floriano, Meaghan Gosling and Shannon Wakeley. In front are (L to R) Cheryl McCurdy, Brandyn Noteare, Autumn Smith and Mary Hibbard. Grayling Junior Miss 1995, Jaymie Corlew poses with the candidates in the foreground. Not pictured is Jennifer Jurkovich.

Results of MEAP testing is mixed

By Linda Sherwood
Staff Writer

The results of the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) are in for the Crawford AuSable School District's 4th and 7th graders.

The MEAP's tests for reading and math were given last September, three weeks after the start of the new school year to 4th and 7th grade students. State averages for this year have not yet been released.

The good news is the almost 20 percentage point increase for the 7th grade results over last year's scores. Last year, 55.5 percent of the 7th grade students taking the MEAP test in math at CASD received a satisfactory score.

This year, the number of 7th graders receiving a satisfactory score has increased to 75 percent.

The 7th grade results also show a big improvement in reading scores

over last year's results. Last year only 36.3 percent of the 7th grade students received a satisfactory score. This year 53.9 percent received a satisfactory score for reading.

Kent Reynolds, superintendent of CASD, said the big jump in the 7th grade's scores wasn't a fluke, but the result of extra emphasis by middle school staff on the concepts tested.

The results of the 4th grade, particularly the reading test, were not very good this year, said Reynolds. The number of 4th grade students receiving a satisfactory score on the reading portion of the MEAP test fell by 11 percentage points to only 19.3 percent.

"We're concerned about that dip," said Reynolds. It does not mean that a parent should worry that his or her child is not learning to read, he said. The kids are learning to read or we

wouldn't have the kind of results we have at the other grade levels.

The reading portion of the MEAP test is broken down into two separate sections, a story section and an informational section. The students read the passage then respond to questions about what they have read. Traditionally, for this school district and the state, kids do better on the story section than the informational section.

In order to receive a satisfactory score, a student must score above 300 on both the story and informational section. If a student scores above 300 on only one of the reading sections, either story or informational, the student receives a moderate score.

At Grayling Elementary School, 34 students scored 300 and above on the story selection. Of these 34 students, 55.9 percent had a knowledge about reading in the high performance area.

At Grayling Elementary School, 14 students scored 300 and above on the informational selection.

Frederic Elementary had 72 students score over 300 on the story selection with only 26 scoring 300 and above for the informational selection.

The curriculum is correct, said Reynolds. What needs to be done is a better job of teaching students how to take the test. "It would be a big concern if we didn't have the results we have at the other levels."

Reynolds presented the board with a chart compiled by *KIDS COUNT in Michigan* showing Crawford County having the highest percentage of students with state endorsed diplomas, with the exception of Grand Traverse County in reading and mathematics.

"That says something to the kind of building blocks we've put in place," said Reynolds. "That perspective is important. I don't add that as an excuse."

"I don't have any concern at all that our students aren't learning to read," said Reynolds. "It's whether or not we are adequately preparing to take a test."

Grayling Middle School Principal Michael Branch said they have worked together at all grade levels to include MEAP language, terms and concepts into the curriculum.

Branch stated he was happiest with the informational reading score at the 7th grade level. The score increased by 19.2 percent over last year for informational reading. That increase reflects the hard work the teachers and staff at the middle school have done in that area, said Branch.

Weyerhaeuser Foundation Company celebrates grant milestone of \$100 million

The Weyerhaeuser Company Foundation is celebrating the milestone of having given \$100 million in philanthropic and research-related grants since its founding in 1948. The foundation funds organizations around the country, emphasizing community social services, education, and programs benefiting youth and the environment.

Weyerhaeuser Company's vision is to be the best forest-products company in the world, and one of the company's

core values is citizenship. This value recognizes that the success of Weyerhaeuser is linked to the social health of the communities where its businesses are located and where employees and their families live.

In northern Michigan, foundation grants totaling \$725,000 have been made since the Grayling Structurwood facility started up in late 1982. Some of the recent recipients of grants include Beaver Creek Township, Crawford AuSable School District,

Commission on Aging, area day-care centers, United Way, Michigan Forest Resource Alliance, area libraries and Gerrish-Higgins School District.

"The presence of Weyerhaeuser Company and the Weyerhaeuser Foundation has had a positive impact in northern Michigan. We intend to continue to utilize the foundation's financial resources to improve the quality of life in this area," said Don Schanz, human resource manager at the Grayling Structurwood Mill.

Grayling city/twp. agree to proceed with master plan

By Terry Wright
News Editor

A master plan, or set of official guidelines for future land use and economic development, will become a reality for two county municipalities.

The City of Grayling and Grayling Township have formally accepted a proposal to hire Mark Wyckoff of the Planning and Zoning Center of Lansing to proceed with the project.

The preparation of a master plan will provide guidance for future physical development of the Township and City, and decision making concerning land use issues. One plan will be created that will jointly serve both communities, but which will have elements that focus on the individual needs of each.

According to Grayling City Manager Jerry Morford, "It makes a lot of sense to do this together with Grayling Township."

The Grayling City Council and the Grayling Township Board of Trustees both voted at their recent meetings to proceed with the project. Because of size and population, Grayling Township has agreed to bear most of the cost of the plan, while the City will provide in-kind services. The master plan is expected to take about 11 months to complete at a total cost of \$19,995.

The Planning and Zoning Center is the same company which went through a rigorous interview process and was recommended to the Crawford County

Board of Commissioners to complete a county-wide master plan, before that board recently dropped the idea in favor of a plan led by the municipalities. Prior to the county dropping the plan, Grayling Township officials had voted to include \$12,500 in the 1996 budget to help pay for the plan. That same money will now be used for the new plan, with the balance coming from the 1997 budget.

"Mr. Wyckoff is very highly thought of throughout the midwest for his planning expertise," said Grayling Township Supervisor Arnold Stancil.

The proposal from Wyckoff consists of three phases: 1) data collection and analysis; 2) establishing goals and objectives and future land use pattern; and, 3) prepare draft master land use plan. Each phase includes a series of specific tasks to be accomplished in the 11-month timeline.

One of the very important aspects of determining goals for future development is to gather public opinion. In the fourth and seventh months of development, town meetings will be held to discuss the direction the plan should take. A public hearing will be held in the eleventh month to enable the townships and their planning commissions to present the draft of the master plan.

A table of expenditures for the three phases of the plan are presented on page 2A.

Prosecutor's office to become full time

By Linda Sherwood
Staff Writer

Crawford County should have a full-time prosecutor beginning Jan. 1, 1997. The Crawford County Board of Commissioners passed a resolution at the meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 23, to change the conditions of office before the upcoming election.

The idea of a full-time prosecutor has been kicked around by the board for a couple of years. The idea was brought up again by Commissioner Bruce Bretzke at the board's meeting earlier this month.

Bretzke raised the issue after the

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board did not receive written opinions that had been requested by the board at the last meeting. Bretzke stated that the workload of the part-time prosecutor has become too much.

The commissioners voted to pass the enabling motion allowing the change from a part time to a full-time prosecutor unanimously. The position would be for a full-time prosecutor with no private practice, period. The motion passed with all commissioners voting yes by roll call vote.

The commissioners then voted to approve a salary for the prosecutor's position. The initial salary was set at \$50,000 plus benefits with the option for an increase based upon performance and experience. The motion was passed with all commissioners voting yes by a roll call vote.

Commissioner Dennis Long said he has done considerable investigation on the salaries of prosecutor's of surrounding counties.

"\$50,000 is not inconsistent with the amount paid full-time prosecutors in the surrounding areas," said Long.

The board discussed whether or not the full-time prosecutor would need or require an assistant. The consensus from the board was the decision on an assistant would be up to the discretion of the new prosecutor, but that the county board would maintain control of setting compensation for that position.

Other details on the position of full-time county prosecutor still needs to be worked out by the county board. Those details include specifics about the exact benefits the prosecutor would be receiving, as well as qualification factors such as residency.

The position of full-time county prosecuting attorney is up for election this year, with the new term to begin on Jan. 1, 1997. The change to a full-time prosecutor cannot be made until the new term of office begins at that time. Current Prosecuting Attorney John Huss is still working only part-time.

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Local musicians are off to St. Lucia again

For the second time in as many years, the Grayling-based AuSable River Dixieland Band will depart Saturday, Jan. 27, for a week-long concert tour of the island of St. Lucia. The 7-member organization will be performing at various resorts and clubs throughout the island, assisting the Lusavie organization in raising money for the many underprivileged children of the area. While on St. Lucia, the band members and their spouses will be the guests of Club St. Lucia.

St. Lucia is located in the southern Caribbean Sea between the islands of St. Vincent and Martinique. During last year's tour, the band was successful in raising almost \$10,000 for St. Lucian

children. The 1996 tour will include banjo. Originally, all of the members of the band were residents of the Grayling area. Present band members reside from as far away as Lansing, Serpentine and Indies, a well-known night club noted for its jazz entertainment.

Members of the band include: Howard Taylor, trumpet; Roy Barnosky, clarinet; Tim Taylor, trombone; Larry Cruse, drums; Gary Beckwith, tuba; and Marty VanDeVen,

not performing at other locations.

The band, which is well-known for its unique style of Dixieland jazz,

appears every summer at White Pine Pioneer Village in Ludington, and at various venues on Mackinac Island. The band has even played concerts aboard the Lake Michigan Car Ferry while sailing to and from Wisconsin. Currently, the band is considering offers from Grand Cayman, Aruba and St. Lucia for next season. Anyone interested in obtaining more information about the band can call 1-800-624-0221.

Master plan joint cost table for City and Township of Grayling

PROJECT PHASE/TASK	Personnel					Non-Personnel
	MW	JW	RA	CF	PROD	
Phase One: Data Collection and Analysis						
Task 1: Prepare base map, social-economic data, community character assessment and local leaders survey, attend Planning Commissions meeting	12	8	36	6	16	\$250
Task 2: Analyze data, survey and mapped information	8	16		2	4	\$70
Total Hours Phase One	20	24	36	8	20	
Personnel/Non-Personnel \$						
Phase One	\$1,900.00	\$2,040.00	\$1,530.00	\$360.00	\$500.00	\$320
Total Personnel Phase One					\$6,330.00	
TOTAL PHASE ONE						\$6,650

PROJECT PHASE/TASK	Personnel					Non-Personnel
	MW	JW	RA	CF	PROD	
Phase Two: Establish Goals and Objectives and Future Land Use Pattern						
Task 3: Future session	12				2	2
Task 4: Prepare draft goals and objectives	4	12		2	4	\$50
Task 5: Prepare future land use pattern and meet with Planning Commissions	18	10		1	1	\$160
Total Hours Phase Two	34	22	0	5	7	
Personnel/Non-Personnel \$						
Phase Two	\$3,230.00	\$1,870.00	\$0.00	\$225.00	\$175.00	\$370
Total Personnel Phase Two					\$5,500.00	
TOTAL PHASE TWO						\$5,870

PROJECT PHASE/TASK	Personnel					Non-Personnel
	MW	JW	RA	CF	PROD	
Phase Three: Master Plan						
Task 6: Present draft goals, objectives and future land use pattern at Town Meeting	12	4		1	1	\$160
Task 7: Draft Master Plan prepared	16	16		1	2	\$50
Task 8: Community review of Draft Master Plan and revisions	12	8		5	8	\$160
Task 9: Communities present Master Plan at Public Hearing, PZC revises	2		0	1	2	\$50
Total Hours Phase Three	42	28	0	8	13	
Personnel/Non-Personnel \$						
Phase Three	\$3,990.00	\$2,380.00	\$0.00	\$360.00	\$325.00	\$420
Total Personnel Phase Three					\$7,055.00	
TOTAL PHASE THREE						\$7,475
TOTAL ALL PHASES						\$19,995

Note: MW = Mark Wyckoff, JW = John Warbach, RA = Research Associate, CF = Carolyn Freebury, Prod = Production Staff

Non-Personnel = costs incurred for telephone, facsimiles, copying, maps/information, postage and delivery services.

DISTRICT COURT

Appearing before The Honorable Judge Francis L. Walsh:

James Louis Pickell, 59, of Grayling, pleaded guilty to the charge of Impaired Driving, and was fined \$540 or 60 days, placed on six months probation, plus his license was suspended 90

days. He was cited Oct. 16, 1995, by the sheriff dept.

Kimberly Sue Labo, 21, pleaded guilty to the charge of Assault & Battery and was fined \$240 or 30 days, placed on one year probation, plus ordered to pay \$164.70 restitution. She was cited

Sept. 15, 1995, by the sheriff dept. Wm. Richard Thompson, 32, of E. China, Michigan, demanded a preliminary exam on the charge of OUIL 3rd Offense. A \$1,000 cash or surety bond was set.

Lynda Lou Allmacher, 46, of Gaylord, was bound over to circuit court on the charge of OUIL 3rd Offense. A \$100 cash or surety bond was set.

HONORS LIST

Michigan State University announced its honor students for the 1995 fall semester. A total of 5,014 MSU students earned a 3.5 or better grade point average for the fall semester.

MSU's honor students from the local area were Laura Ann Rickner of Frederic, Amber Berglin, Andrew Burkley, Michael Normand, and Andrea Watson all of Grayling.

Ferris State University's fall semester academic honors list includes 1,138 students, university officials have announced.

To be eligible, a Ferris student must have compiled a 3.50 grade-point average in at least 12 semester hours of work. The list includes 185 who earned a 4.00 grade-point average, or all A grades.

Among the honored students were Michael H. Alma of Frederic, and Amy M. Furst and Anthony W. Henning, both of Grayling.

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ISSUES AND OPINIONS

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Writer appreciates "The Bible Speaks" column

To the editor,
Though I do not reside in your city, it is with appreciation that I address the Avalanche for your good taste in having the weekly column "The Bible Speaks," written by one Pastor "B." I have been aware of the column for several years, but until now, have not voiced it.

It seems to me that this column

speaks for what has been called "the silent majority." I am grateful for Pastor B's voice being heard and should think that there are many, like myself, who sincerely appreciate one who uses the printed page to express what middle America is thinking.

Thank you for such a good column allowed in your newspaper.

Bob Steward,
Harrison

Hanson Hills should be cherished and respected

To the editor,
Hanson Hills is fannnn...tastic! Two years ago, I sent a letter "to the editor" complaining about the lousy job that Hanson Hills was doing in keeping up the cross-country trails. The people involved obviously were not concerned in keeping this historic, beautiful area up to par with the past. Well, now comes new management and a change in the chamber of commerce, and like magic Hanson Hills is hopping again. Not only are cross-country skiers returning, but so are ice skaters and of course, down-hillers.

Grayling residents do not realize what a wonderful and unique recreational area this is. Hanson Hills should be cherished and respected. As I previously stated, "I have skied all over the USA and some of Europe, and there is no place as beautiful as the trails at Hanson Hills." I have friends visit from Utah and Colorado just to X-C ski here. I applaud those people who strive to make Hanson Hills a better place.

Cross-country skiing is an environmentally-friendly sport. It's like taking a hike in the woods! It is low impact, no noise and a wonderful family sport. These areas are meticulously groomed and provide the best and safest conditions. It is very disheartening to see (and hear) "yahoo" snowmobilers ripping and tearing up

We need to educate the riders and have stricter laws that are enforced before things get worse. Maybe the clubs could provide patrols to help. If riders think they might be caught, they will think twice about "yahoing" with no respect for others. As usual, the few bad riders give the rest a bad name. Grayling has plenty of land for everyone.

Jim Clements,
Grayling

Writer grateful for tourist dollars

To the editor,
I am taking this time to respond to the letter John C. Slater of Grayling, wrote last week.

The tourist dollar is very much a part of the economy in Crawford County, maybe Mr. Slater is financially secure enough not to have to worry about a job or running a small business in a rural area.

The employees at my business are grateful for the tourist dollar, as they are working and getting by. I employ eight to 10 additional people in the winter for the business snow brings us. The "Village" as you called it in your letter, is a township and it has two full-service restaurant/bars. And we do not basically invite the snowmobilers, or anyone else, to refresh themselves and then turn them loose to have at it once again! We are businesses doing business, feeding people, letting them rest and warm up, as do many local people.

Implying that we are irresponsible and are money hungry is extremely insulting.

Peace and quiet, fresh air, and natural beauty belong to us all! I certainly hope you don't really feel that if you don't live here, you aren't welcome to enjoy it. Addressing the issue of snowmobilers who are breaking laws and have a lack of respect for people and their property, we also do not approve of this. The law enforcement you call "virtually nonexistent" is doing a good job writing tickets and letting these few, who blatantly endanger themselves and others, know that this will not be tolerated. We also in our businesses try to inform them of the policy of strict enforcement that we believe the DNR and other law enforcement are doing, and very well I might add.

Jerry and Marian Graham,
The Swamp II,
Frederic



ALMANACK By Richard Milliman

First Lady invites polarization

WHO'S IN THE news more in recent days than Hillary Rodham Clinton?

On certain days, she seems to make more headlines and sound bites than her husband, what with her book tour, and continuing Whitewater probing, and presidential politics, and all.

Ms. Clinton seems one of those public figures who is either hated or adored, with precious little ground in between.

At a book signing in Ann Arbor, the coordinator of the local Hillary Rodham Clinton Fan Club handed her a note: "Right on Hillary!"

As to Whitewater, this First Lady fan was quoted: "She's a fabulous woman and she can handle it."

In microcosm, that attitude seems to sum up much public reaction to Ms. Clinton.

Those who love her—such as the Ann Arbor booster—love her in large part because she is a strong person who most likely can "handle" Whitewater, and has a highly developed public personage of her own, regardless of the fact her husband is President.

In many ways, Ms. Clinton is the embodiment of what many women wish they could be.

AT THE OTHER extreme are those who don't like her probably for many of the same reasons—although they likely wouldn't admit as much.

Lots of folks don't warm up to strong, talented, individualistic women. Sometimes it's fear, sometimes it's lack of understanding that ends up in resentment or dislike.

First of all...I do not make New Year's resolutions—never have—no sense, I would have broken them on Jan. 2...I admit, no willpower.

Here with thoughts of the ol' fellas from things I have read and watched on TV.

I was most interested in the article in the Avalanche on the Animal Control and Shelter—I would like to see the commissioners bring back the control officer, and if they do, Ionia Street would be a good place to start...I have a dog and a fenced-in back yard for her to roam, I don't need dogs that their owners let them run loose and use other people's yards to leave their dung. I'm sure my neighbors agree.

No comment on the shelter...all I know is that Dixie Lobsinger and her helpers have done a great job with what they have had to work with.

Just wondering...

What others are saying:

"Movie Marquee of the Year: A friend swears that a movie house in Reno, Nevada, has a marquee that reads: *An American Picnic*, followed by *Waiting to Exhale*.

"Guilt by Association? Rep. Barbara-Rose Collins speaking at a Sen. Carl Levin fundraiser told the audience, "There's only one woman more disrespected by Republicans than

Who's right? Maybe both.

Republicans admit the two sides may be close in dollars, but they're miles apart in principle, and that's what matters.

Both sides accuse the other of politics.

Meanwhile, the public stews.

A lasting gridlock such as Mr. Gingrich describes doesn't seem likely.

It sounds more like the old political straw man trick. That's where you warn of something dire, knowing it won't happen; when it doesn't happen, you take credit for preventing it.

Time will tell. Meanwhile, public confidence in Congress grows less and less.

There's another old political adage about winning the battle but losing the war.

The Gingrich forces may be approaching that state.

BARBARA JORDAN—The death of Barbara Jordan, former member of Congress from Texas, has elicited universally warm and positive

comments about her distinguished career, and properly so.

One news report of her death said her "thundering oratory made her the voice of moral authority during the Watergate impeachment hearings."

She was indeed an outstanding speaker, and twice delivered keynote addresses at Democratic national conventions.

Much has been made of her resonant voice and memorable diction, which forced listeners to pay attention.

But it was much more than that. When Barbara Jordan spoke, she made a lot of sense.

The substance of her ideas and principles, and not the style of her delivery, will be more sorely missed.

She was a fine person, and a distinguished American.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

American Viewpoints



There is a capacity of virtue in us, and there is a capacity of vice to make your blood creep.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

Courthouse Square



Editor's Quote Book

The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing.

Edmund Burke

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MAYBE IT WAS THAT OLIVER STONE MOVIE...

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Lowe gets high grades from local residents

By Molly J. Gudritz
Capital News Service

One area lawmaker is ready for a busy new year, especially promoting tourism, legislation, and perhaps eventually running for a higher office.

Rep. Allen Lowe, R-Grayling, describes his past years in the House of Representatives as "interesting," and is looking forward to a full agenda for 1996.

"There have been so many issues to learn about, and we have rewritten so many laws," Lowe said.

Area residents and community leaders agree that Lowe has done a good job and expect the same dedication from him in the future.

"He gets around," said Art Thayer, chairman of the Grayling Republican Party. "He lives down the street from me, and every time I go down to see him, he's in Alpena or somewhere

else keeping in touch with his constituents."

"He has done a wonderful job," said Robert Golnick, mayor of Grayling. "I expect that he'll keep doing the same great job he has been doing in past years."

Lowe is known in the Grayling area for generosity and dedication in past years.

"He hasn't missed a vote. I bet he's about one of the only representatives that has done that," Golnick said. "He's also taking his pay raise and buying food for the needy. These are just examples of the great job he has done."

The perfect voting record that Lowe maintained with only one other representative in 1995, and the money he used from his pay raise in 1995 and 1996, to buy food for the Otsego County Food Pantry, are two of Lowe's

accomplishments during his 3-year term in the House.

"I am looking forward to the new year," Lowe said. "There are a lot of bills that I am working on right now."

Among them are bills on a land transfer in Kalkaska for a POW/MIA memorial, and an effort to make the friend of the court position more of a uniform position throughout the state.

"I have kept in close touch with him," said Jerry Meyer, Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce director. "He is interested in getting tourism recognized as a little more of an industry, and is working on a tourism task force."

Lowe is going to run for a third term as representative and is looking ahead to the possibility of running for senator in a few years.

"I will definitely run again for representative," Lowe said. "I think I

will get re-elected as long as I keep doing my job."

Lowe is going to make a decision on running for the Senate based on whether or not Sen. George A. McManus Jr., R-Traverse City, decides to run for another term.

"McManus is doing a great job," Lowe said. "He would be extremely hard to beat, so I would not run against him."

"I have encouraged him to run for Senate," Meyer said. "Allen would do a great job and I completely support him for Senate."

Lowe also has a couple of personal resolutions having to do with his family.

"I'm in Lansing for three days and in the district for three days," Lowe said. "That is a lot of time away from home, so this year, I want to spend more time with my family."

Lowe calls State of State Address 'workable'

By Molly J. Gudritz
Capital News Service

Gov. John Engler's State of the State Address touched upon areas of education, prisons and the environment, along with new legislation.

Grayling area lawmaker, Allen Lowe, agrees with most of Engler's address, although with some reservations.

"It was generally a good speech, Lowe said. "He was talking about less government, less red tape and lower taxes, which are many things that I agree with."

"We have made Michigan a great place to work, raise a family and make the American dream come true," said Engler. "The state of our state is better than ever."

Engler discussed progress made in education, welfare reform, environment and crime.

He described the charter school plan and how there are now 41 public charter schools in the state by saying that change is necessary to move forward in a changing world.

"We are reforming education for one reason: our kids deserve better," Engler said. "Those standing in the way of change must get out of the way. Change is necessary."

Engler unveiled a new plan for less-hassle income tax filing. This no-form, no-file income tax option will be available in the next tax year, as a less complicated option for filing income taxes.

"We want a government that serves and not burdens its citizens," Engler said.

Engler did not agree with "renaissance zone" legislation, however. This law allows different areas of the state with certain qualifications to have a chance for a faster economic growth with tax breaks

and other perks.

"It's not good to target just one area of the state," Lowe said. "To give one area lower taxes and have other areas make up for the difference is not right."

Engler's speech ended with a promise to be tough on repeat offenders and minors who engage in violent crimes, along with a plea for four new prisons.

"We are running out of room in the prison system," Engler said. "The prediction is that we will run out of beds by the end of 1996. We also need to stop pampering children who rape and murder; they need to be charged as adults."

"I think the devil is in the details," Lowe said. "It was a workable speech."

Sixteen snowmobile fatalities this season

Since the start of the 1995-96 snow season, at least 16 snowmobilers have been killed in tragic accidents across Michigan; however, many accidents are occurring while operating unlawfully on a roadway. In addition to being illegal, operating on a roadway is extremely dangerous, particularly if the roadway is plowed. Snowmobiles are not designed to operate on bare pavement or hard-packed snow and ice. Turning and braking capabilities are severely compromised by these surfaces.

The common factor in nearly every snowmobile accident has been alcohol and excessive speed. In 12 of the 16 fatalities, at least one of the operators had been drinking. Because of the speed modern snowmobiles are capable of achieving and the variability of snow and ice conditions, snowmobiling will always be dangerous. Adding alcohol to this equation creates a formula for tragedy.

Snowmobilers are finding good to excellent snow and trail conditions all

across Michigan; however, many accidents are occurring while operating unlawfully on a roadway. In addition to being illegal, operating on a roadway is extremely dangerous, particularly if the roadway is plowed. Snowmobiles are not designed to operate on bare pavement or hard-packed snow and ice. Turning and braking capabilities are severely compromised by these surfaces.

The DNR advises snowmobilers to drive defensively at all times, and to follow these guidelines:

- Always keep your machine in top mechanical condition. Mechanical failures can cause accidents or leave you stranded in severe weather.
- Always wear protective clothing, including a helmet, eye protection, gloves and insulated boots.
- Always be alert to avoid fences and low-strung wires, which can cause

serious injuries. Avoid depressions in the snow, which can hide deep holes or drop-offs.

- Never operate on a street or highway. This is dangerous, and prohibited by state law.

- Keep headlights and taillights on at all times, to see where you're going and to let others see you. This is also required by state law.

- When approaching an intersection, always come to a complete stop, stand up, and look and listen for oncoming traffic.

- Always check the weather before you leave, and don't go out in weather that compromises driving safety or is dangerously cold.

- Always tell someone where you're going and when you'll be back. Never ride alone.

Have a safe and enjoyable snowmobile season in Michigan this year.

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THURS. 25	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• COMMAND PERFORMANCE DINNER THEATRE @ Mi Opera Theater @ Grayling Holiday Inn, 6 pm.• GRAYLING REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE "Business After Hours" @ Grayling Eagles Hall - Meet the Junior Miss Contestants, 5:30 pm.• HANSON HILLS SKI HILL TORCHLIGHT PARADE, 8 pm.• HANSON HILLS BUSINESS OLYMPICS, 8:30 pm.• MS BBB VS. GAYLORD, 7th away, 8th home, 5 pm.• WRESTLING VS. KALKASKA/MANCELONA @ Mancelona, 6 pm.• FRESH BBB VS. ROSCOMMON, home, 7 pm.• MINIMAL FEE blood pressure & blood sugar screens 11 am - 12 noon @ COA.• TOPS MEETING @ Mercy Hospital Riverside Room, 5 pm. Call Linda @ 275-9918 for more information.
FRI. 26	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• HANSON HILLS OPEN HOUSE, 11 am - 4 pm.• HANSON HILLS ADULT X-C SKI PARTY, 8 pm.• HANSON HILLS COMMUNITY BONFIRE, 9 pm.• BBB VS. ROGERS CITY, away, 6 pm.
SAT. 27	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• WINTER WOLF CHALLENGE kayak competition @ Ray's Canoe Livery, 10:15 am.• HANSON HILLS EVENTS: 11 am: Cartwright & Danewell snowboard demos & instruction all day, plus camping & outdoor displays, group X-country lesson, pie eating contest; 12 noon: x-country ski & eat until 3 pm, snowball throwing contest; 1 pm: GSB youth ski races; 3:30 pm: sledding & tubing races; 7 pm: Grayling Junior Miss Pageant @ HS auditorium.• JV VB @ KALKASKA INVITATIONAL• WRESTLING @ NW MI CHAMPIONSHIP @ GAYLORD, 10 am.• FRIENDSHIP SINGLES DANCE @ Breakers Steak House, 9 pm - 1 am. Call 348-5507 or 348-8350 for more information.
SUN. 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today.• WINTER WOLF CHALLENGE NORDIC SKI/SNOWSHOE EVENTS @ Hanson Hills, 11 am.• HANSON HILLS EVENTS: 8-11:30 am: Grayling Booster Club Pancake Breakfast; 11 am: Cartwright & Danewell snowboard demos & instruction, camping & winter displays all day; 11:15 am: nature walk on snowshoes; 12 noon-3 pm: chili cookoff-be a judge for \$1; 1 pm: Hanson Hills dummy races; 2 pm: obstacle courses; 3:30 pm: awards ceremony for Winter Wolf Challenge, chili cookoff, and raffle drawing.
MON. 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• GRAYLING CITY COUNCIL MEETING.• 2ND TERM ADULT ED BEGINS.• VB VS. KALKASKA, away, 6 pm.• FREDERIC ELEMENTARY PARENTS GROUP, 7 pm.• FRESH BBB VS. WHITTEMORE PRESCOTT, away, 7 pm.• KIWANIS LUNCHEON MEETING @ 12:10 pm, Chief Shapenagon's Motor Hotel.
TUES. 30	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• COA SWEATSHIRT CONTEST, after lunch @ 12:30 pm.• BBB VS. KALKASKA, away, 6 pm.• GRAYLING PROMOTIONAL ASSOCIATION luncheon meeting @ noon, Iron Gate Restaurant.
WED. 31	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• MS BBB VS. KALKASKA, 7th, 8th away, 5 pm.• SINGLES FUN NIGHT @ Breakers Steak House, starting at 7 pm. Call 348-5507 or 348-8350 for more information.• ROTARY LUNCHEON MEETING @ Chief Shapenagon's Motor Hotel, 12 noon.• WEIGHT WATCHER'S meeting @ St. Francis Episcopal Church on M-72 W., weigh-in 4:45; meeting 5:30 pm. For more information call Sandy @ 348-5321.

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The Bible Speaks

From the Calvary Baptist Church

The Second Mile

Last week, we studied how to turn the other cheek. Christians must balance their personal responsibility to love others, with their responsibility under civil law to maintain social justice and order. George Washington Carver once said, "How far you go in life depends on your being tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving, and tolerant of the weak and the strong. Because someday in life you will have been all of these. Jesus Christ taught us how to live the golden rule."

Christ gave three illustrations of how Christian goodness is to be practiced in *Matthew 5:40-42*: "And if any man will sue thee at the law, and take away thy coat, let him have [thy] cloke also. And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain. Give to him that asketh thee, and from him that would borrow of thee turn not thou away." We should treat others the way we would want to be treated. (*Matthew 7:12*)

If we have been found guilty by law of treating another person unfairly, in the spirit of the golden rule, we should be willing to give even above what the law requires to be fair. This is why Christ warned us in *Matthew 5:25, 26* to seek an early agreement with our adversary before a legal settlement is required.

Going the second mile was a custom whereby a Roman soldier could compel a citizen to carry a burden for a mile, then he could compel another citizen to go the next mile. An example of this is found before the crucifixion of Christ in *Luke 23:26*: "As they led him away, they laid hold upon one Simon, a Cyrenian, coming out of the country, and on him they laid the cross, that he might bear [it] after Jesus." Simon received a unique blessing by carrying the cross of Christ. Going the second mile means doing more than required for the benefit of others. Fulfilling our civil responsibilities will glorify God, benefit society, promote Christianity, and bring a special blessing to each Christian.

Christian giving to others in need has elevated western civilization above the world's standards. Most hospitals and charities in the western world have Judeo-Christian roots. "If there be among you a poor man of thy brethren within any of thy gates in thy land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not harden thine heart, nor shut thine hand from thy poor brother." (*Deuteronomy 15:7*) Christ illustrated being a good neighbor by the story of the good Samaritan. Christ taught us, "...Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done [it] unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done [it] unto me." (*Matthew 25:40*) Living by the golden rule fulfills the second greatest commandment, "...Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself." (*Matthew 22:39*)

Pastor "B"

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SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

By Jan Farley

"Hangman" on the 31st at 5:30 p.m. Don't forget the February Sunday Brunch on the 4th.

Basket Weaving II starts in February, on Wednesday the 7th, and continues for the next three weeks, so sign up if you want to participate. The cost is based on the materials used. Call or stop in if you're interested. (348-7123)

New activity on Fridays—Coffee Klatsch at 10 a.m. All seniors are invited to attend. Sit and chat with your friends and neighbors and get a chance to find out what the folks think about anything that is on their mind. It's fun and informative, too!

Notice! Seniors may have taxes prepared by appointment at the COA. Call 348-7123 Feb. 5 and 6, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and on Feb. 7, 21 and 28, each from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Take advantage of our activities that are offered through the Commission on Aging and Senior Citizen Center. Keep checking this column as well as the Senior Gazette, our monthly news bulletin, and give us a call. We can give you more information, sign you up or just chit-chat about something that might interest you. Stop in or give

us a call at 348-7123.

Come and eat at the center. The meals are tasty, well balanced, and it is really the best deal in town! Any senior, or spouse, that is 60+ is welcome and bring your friends and family. With the new funding year upon us, the required donation for seniors remains the same, at \$1.50, however, the charge for those under 60 goes up to \$3.

Take note! Reservations are recommended, however, we can always take a few walk-ins—but for the most part, try and call ahead, 348-7123. Meals are served at 12 noon and 5 p.m. Monday thru Thursday, and 12 noon only on Fridays. Menus are subject to change.

Lunch/Dinner
Jan. 24—Italian Round Steak/Veal Birds;
Jan. 25—Turkey & Dressing/Sweet & Sour Pork;
Jan. 26—Beef Stew;
Jan. 29—New England Boiled Dinner/Stuffed Peppers;
Jan. 30—Chicken Ala King Chopped Sirloin;
Jan. 31—Fish/Ham Steak.

Church Directory

Stand in the Gap

God told Ezekiel: "I sought for a man...who should build up the wall and stand in the gap before me and for the land...but I found none" (*Ezekiel 22:30*).

And God still looks for people who will "stand in the gap" and build up the wall on which He can build His kingdom. He looks for good people, people of vision, those who will not sell their souls for a mess of potage, nor sacrifice their birthrights on the altar of expediency in the marketplace.

Pompey, Roman general and statesman, put it: "It is a small matter that I should move forward and die. It is too great a matter that I should take one step backward and live."

Following the bloody years of the Civil War, the name and character of Gen. Robert E. Lee never faltered nor wavered. This great general stood taller in defeat than most generals ever stood in victory.

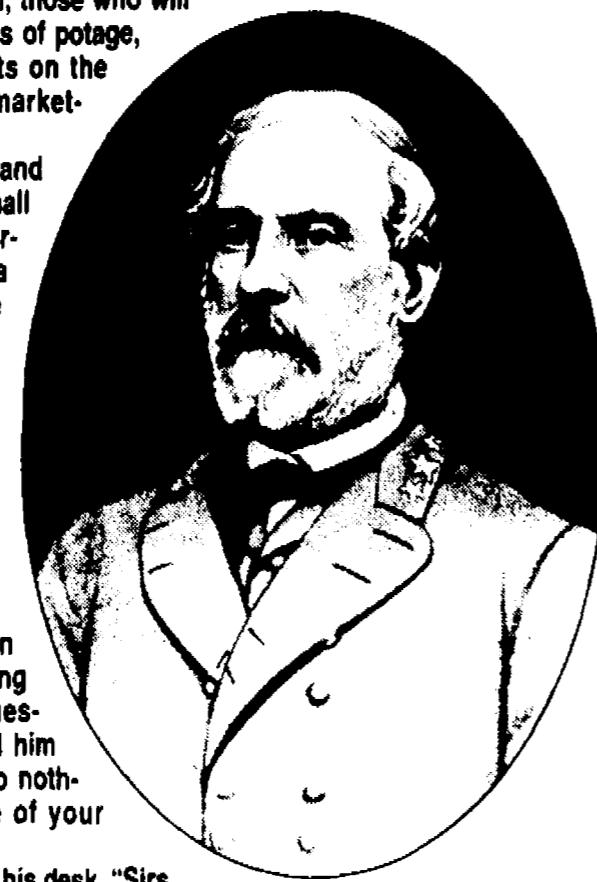
One day a group of men approached him about heading a business enterprise of questionable nature. They offered him \$50,000. "You will have to do nothing. All we want is the use of your name," they told him.

Gen. Lee stood tall behind his desk. "Sirs, my name is the heritage of my parents. It is all I have, and it is not for sale."

The gaps are all around us. People, men and women, go and stand!

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday
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17:1-26 14:1-14 14:15-31 15:1-17 9:1-25 9:26-31 9:32-43

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First Baptist Church Of Frederic
Pastor Dale Hammond

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7 p.m.

Christian Science Society
209 First St. - Suite 103 - Gaylord

Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.
April through October
2nd Wednesday 8 p.m.

Mitchelson Memorial
United Methodist Church
Pastor J. Douglas Patterson

400 Michigan Ave.
348-2974
Sunday Worship 9:30 & 11 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45-10:45 a.m.
Coffee Fellowship 12 noon
Bible Study (Wed.) 10 a.m.

Seventh Day Adventist
Pastor David Stramel
Phone 348-4445

Services held Saturday at Camp AuSable off M-72 East (1st building on right inside camp entrance).
Church Service 9:30 a.m.
Sabbath School 10:30 a.m.
Prayer Meeting Tues 7 p.m.

Grayling Assembly of God
Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor
701 S. 1-75 Business Loop

Church 348-8885 • Parsonage 348-2588
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday - Family Night
Adult-Youth-Children 7 p.m.

Christian Science Society
Zone 11, 106 James St. - Houghton Lake

Sunday Ser. & Sunday School 11 a.m.
1st Wednesday (April-Oct.) 7:30 p.m.

The Church of Jesus Christ of
Latter Day Saints
President Larry A. Cook

600 North Elm St., Gaylord
Sacrament 10 a.m.
Sunday School 11 a.m.
Primary 11 a.m.
Priesthood 12 noon
Relief Society 12 noon

Calvary Assembly of God
Rev. Lawrence Cook

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Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

Morning Worship 11 a.m.

Evening Service 6 p.m.

Wednesday Family Night 7 p.m.

Calvary Christian Reformed
Rev. V. Schaap
415 Ohio North

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
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Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church
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Lee Ann Duncley, Pastoral Associate
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Wednesday & Friday 9:30 a.m.

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Pastor Lacey Stephan, Jr.

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Church School 9:45 a.m.

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Midweek Service Prayer 7 p.m.

Bear Lake Christian
M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.

Sunday School 9 a.m.

Sunday Service 10 a.m.

The Church of Christ
with the Elijah Message
Pastor Dale E. Weaver
7662 Kelly Ave. - Frederic

Sunday Worship 10 a.m.

Sunday Worship 7 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Service 7 p.m.

Abundant Life Tabernacle
Pastor Shelly Stader
211 Shellenberger St.
Grayling, Mich.

Sunday Morning 10 a.m.

Sunday Worship 11 a.m.

Sunday Night 6 p.m.

Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

Calvary Baptist Church
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Pastor Terry Calley

Meeting at 501 Michigan Avenue

(517) 348-2557

Sunday Bible Study 9:45 a.m.

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OBITUARIES

Margaret Peters

Margaret L. Peters, 79, of Grayling, died Wednesday, Jan. 17, 1996, at The Meadows of Grayling. Funeral services were held Saturday, Jan. 20, at 2 p.m., at Mt. Hope Lutheran Church, with Reverend Paul Boerger officiating. Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery, Grayling. Arrangements were made by Sorenson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Peters was born May 29, 1916, in Attica Township. She married her husband, Harold W. Peters, on March 18, 1965, in Washington, Michigan. They moved to Grayling in 1982, from Crystal.

Mrs. Peters was a homemaker, and a member of Mt. Hope Lutheran Church in Grayling.

Mrs. Peters was preceded in death by a son, Neil Shepard, and by her parents, Earl and Rachel (Schoeule) Utley.

Survivors include: husband, Harold W. Peters of Grayling; son, Gary and wife Kristin Shepard of Franklin, Ohio; daughters, Margaret and husband William Smith of Scottsdale, Arizona, and Beverly and husband Richard Walker of Petoskey; sisters, Betty Dolchany of Byron, and Lois Kuzma of Lapeer; step-son, Jerome and wife Donna Peters of Otter Lake; step-daughter, Kathy and husband William Woodman of North Branch; eight grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and six step-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorial contributions to Mt. Hope Lutheran Church.

Russell Menne Jr.

Russell E. Menne, Jr., 57, of Roscommon (Beaver Creek Township), died Friday, Jan. 19, 1996, at his residence, after an extended illness. Funeral services were held Monday, Jan. 22, at 1 p.m., at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Roscommon, with Fr. Richard Hannon officiating. Burial was in Gerrish Township Cemetery.

Mr. Menne was born Oct. 12, 1938, in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. He had been a resident of Beaver Creek Township for 19 years, coming from Westland. He was married Sept. 23, 1960, in Columbus, Ohio, to the former Juanita M. Deletere.

Mr. Menne had been a claims processor for Ford Motor Company, from which he retired in 1978. He was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church.

Mr. Menne was preceded in death by his parents, Russell E. and Clarabelle (Daniels) Menne.

Survivors include: wife, Juanita Menne of Beaver Creek Township; sons, Russell III and wife Christina of Oregon, Robert and wife Debra of Farwell, and Ronald and wife Traci of Roscommon; grandchildren, Taylor, A.J. and Robert Jr.; and sisters, Janice Grough and Norma Menne of Westland.

Earl Rocco

Earl D. Rocco, 83, of Albion, died Thursday, Jan. 18, 1996, at Bronson Methodist Hospital in Kalamazoo, after a long illness. Funeral services were held Monday, Jan. 22, at 11 a.m., at Albion Chapel, Tidd-Williams Funeral Chapel, Inc., with Rev. James Brazell officiating. Burial was in Albion Memory Gardens.

Mr. Rocco was born April 24, 1912, the son of Edward J. and Lydia (Phi) Rocco. He spent most of his life in Albion, and was a graduate of Albion High School.

Mr. Rocco worked at Union Steel Products as a set-up man for 44 1/2 years, and he also farmed during that time.

He was a member of the Eagles Lodge in Albion, the Moose Lodge in Marshall, the First Presbyterian Church in Albion, the F&A Springport Lodge—Scottish Rite Consistory, Grand Rapids, and was their 1995 Mason of the Year. He was also a member of O.E.S. in Albion.

For the past 16 years, he spent his winters in Florida, and he enjoyed fishing, hunting, and was an avid bowler.

Mr. Rocco was preceded in death by his wife June M. (Sheldon) Rocco, in 1990.

Survivors include: daughter, Darlene and husband Howard Jarvis of Grayling; sons, Arnold and wife Phyllis Rocco of Marshall, and Denny and wife Jan Rocco of Homer; four grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; sisters, Maybelle Metzler of Albion, and Irene Holmes-Smith of Marshall; and brother, Roy Rocco of Burlington.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the American Cancer Society or the First Presbyterian Church.

Violet Jones

Violet Corrine (Boots) VanWey Jones, 64, of Grayling, died Thursday, Jan. 18, 1996, in Northern Michigan Hospital, Petoskey. A memorial service was held Saturday, Jan. 20 at 6 p.m., at the Abundant Life Tabernacle in Grayling.

Mrs. Jones was born Oct. 10, 1931, in Marietta, Ohio. She was preceded in death by her parents, Wilbert Jennings and Lizzie Forrest Conner VanWey; by her husband, Wilbur E. Jones; brother, Wilbert Jennings VanWey, Jr.; and a sister, Cora Jane VanWey.

Survivors include: sons, David G. of Arkansas, Wilbur E., Jr. and wife Robin, John P. and wife Linda, and Richard C. and wife Cora, all of Grayling; daughters, Ardath M. Willard of Grayling, and Ruth M. and husband Roy Alzner of Whitehall; brother, Carl David VanWey of Tullahoma, Tennessee; sister, Mary Perry of Beverly, Ohio; 24 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and 11 nieces and nephews.

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CONVENIENCE

Joyce Bourrie

Joyce A. Bourrie, 69, of Grayling, died Tuesday, Jan. 23, 1996, at Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey. A wake service will be held Wednesday, Jan. 24, at 8 p.m., at Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel. Funeral services will be held Thursday, Jan. 25, at 11 a.m., at St. Mary's Catholic Church. Burial will be in Elmwood Cemetery, Grayling.

Mrs. Bourrie was born July 27, 1926, in Cheboygan. On July 3, 1948, in St. Charles Church in Cheboygan, she was married to Jim Bourrie.

After moving to Grayling 39 years ago, Mrs. Bourrie was owner and operator of the Grayling Restaurant with her husband, Jim, and they owned Long's Restaurant prior to that. They spent 30 years in the restaurant business.

Mrs. Bourrie was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church. She was also a member of the St. Mary's Altar Society, who had at one time chosen her as "Mother of the Year." She was also an active member of ABWA for 26 years, and was chosen as "Woman of the Year" at one time, and had been a member of GPA since its inception.

Mrs. Bourrie was preceded in death by her parents, Arthur and Ethel (Geyer) Schmidt; son, Garfield in 1990; and brother, Eugene Schmidt.

Survivors include: husband, Jim Bourrie; daughters, Kathleen and husband Victor Edwards, Susan and husband Robert McCurdy, and Cheryl and husband David Millikin, all of Grayling; sister, Dorothy Redmond of Cheboygan; brother, Garfield Schmidt of Cheboygan; and grandchildren, Aaron and Heather Millikin; Darcie, Cheryl and Brian McCurdy; Jamie and Joseph Bourrie; and Heather Edwards.

The family suggests memorial contributions in her name to the Crawford County Library.

Harlan Lepper

Harlan S. Lepper died Dec. 19, 1995. A memorial service will be held Saturday, Jan. 27, at 1 p.m., at Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel in Grayling, under the auspices of Veterans of Foreign Wars, Carl Borchers Post #3736.

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Also a big thank you for all the prayers, flowers, cards and calls. I do appreciate them.

Lora Gould

Dora Hogue

Dora I. Hogue, 81, of Grayling, died Friday, Jan. 19, at her residence. Graveside services will be held in the spring at Elmwood Cemetery, Grayling. Arrangements were made by Sorenson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Hogue was born Oct. 23, 1914, in Ann Arbor, and moved from there, to Grayling in 1972. She was employed in sales for Goodyear's Clothing, and later as a bookkeeper for Greens' Cleaners, both in Ann Arbor.

Mrs. Hogue was preceded in death by her husband, Wilbur, in 1986; son, William Hogue, in 1977; brothers, Bob Page and Carl Page; and her parents, Carl and Eunice (Schkel) Page.

Survivors include: son, Robert A. Hogue of Ypsilanti; daughter, Sharon Knight of Ann Arbor; sister, Lillian Toney of Ann Arbor; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorial contributions in her name to Hospice with Loving care, Roscommon, MI 48653.

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FOOT NOTES

by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.

A CASE OF COMPRESSION

Physical fitness is a great personal goal, but there can be downsides to overly vigorous exercise, and one of them is known as compression neuropathy. Nerves can be damaged by compression in two ways. Perhaps the most obvious is direct trauma, as can occur while playing a rough-and-tumble sport, falling from a bicycle, or stepping down hard on a sharp object. In such cases, the compression is likely to be acute and suddenly painful. Compression neuropathy can also creep in over time, as through the overuse of an overly zealous jogger. Whatever the cause, the condition should not be ignored. The longer the nerve compression or entrapment continues, the more serious the damage may be.

If injury or trauma has caused this

condition to plague your every step, don't just accept it as the norm. There's no need to suffer with nerve compression or other painful foot conditions, not when there are caring professionals with the same goals as yours - to alleviate the pain, accomplish optimum function, prevent recurrence, and help you again walk with comfort. We welcome your call for complete family foot care at GRAND TRAVERSE FOOT & ANKLE CENTER, P.C., 1209 E. 8th St., Traverse City, Phone 922-9100 & 800-968-7440, Offices in Traverse City, also at KALKASKA MEMORIAL HEALTH CENTER, Monday & Wednesday afternoons and evenings.

P.S. Transient nerve compression occurs when a leg "falls asleep" after being held in an awkward position too long.



Mercy's receive accreditation from national commission

Grayling Mercy Hospital, Mercy Manor and the Mercy Laboratory have all achieved accreditation from the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, as a result of their demonstrated compliance with the Joint Commission's nationally-recognized health-care standards.

Formed in 1951, the Joint Commission is dedicated to improving the quality of the nation's health care through voluntary accreditation. The Joint Commission's on-site survey of Mercy Hospital occurred in August, 1995.

"The national standards are intended to stimulate continuous, systematic and organization-wide improvement in Mercy Hospital's performance and the outcomes of care," said Stephanie Riemer-Matuzak, chief operating officer. "The community can be proud that Mercy Hospital, Mercy Manor

and Mercy's Laboratory are focusing on the most challenging goal—to continuously raise quality to higher levels."

Riemer-Matuzak spoke of her pride in a staff whose members ask what needs to be done to be accredited by the Joint Commission. "In addition, they appreciate the educational aspect of the survey and the opportunity to interact with the team of surveyors," she said.

"Our accreditation by the Joint Commission is proof of an organization-wide commitment to provide quality care on an ongoing basis," said Kathryn Zelinsky, vice president of Patient Care Services. "Our patients can feel confident about our desire to provide services of the highest quality."

Mercy Manor received accreditation

after an on-site review in August 1995, which found that Mercy Manor had demonstrated compliance with the Joint Commission's national standards for long-term care.

"Accreditation standards for long-term care exceed federal and state requirements," Zelinsky said. "Because this is a voluntary program, accreditation represents Mercy Manor's decision to be recognized for its efforts to provide quality care. Only about 1,100 long-term care organizations have received accreditation nationwide."

Mercy's Laboratory received Joint Commission accreditation after an on-site survey in May 1995. The laboratory was in compliance with the Joint Commission's national standards for clinical and pathology laboratories.

"We continually strive to improve the quality of our services, and meeting

the joint Commission's rigorous national standards is an important recognition of our efforts," said Riemer-Matuzak.

The Joint Commission evaluated the laboratory's performance in complying with nearly 300 standards related to quality control, safety, infection control, supervision and staffing, proficiency testing, administrative policies and procedures, and ongoing performance improvement activities.

Riemer-Matuzak says efforts to improve don't stop when the Joint Commission survey is over.

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DNR recreation grant applications due April 1

In February, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will be mailing out application packets for recreation grants, which assist units of government in the acquisition of land or the development of recreation facilities. Any unit of government which has not yet requested a grant-application package and wishes to apply for recreation grant assistance this year, should contact the DNR's Recreation Grants Section, Administrative Services Division, at (517) 373-9125 immediately to be placed on the mailing list.

All applications must be postmarked by April 1. A single application covers recreation grants under three programs: the Recreation Bond Program, the

Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Program, and the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund Program. All grants require local matching funds of 25 to 50 percent.

Any Michigan community wishing to apply for funds in 1996 must have a DNR-approved, 5-year recreation plan on file by the application deadline.

The DNR and the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Board are also seeking nominations of land available for public acquisition with exceptional recreational value or outstanding natural features.

Of special interest to the DNR are properties with access to water resources, especially the Great Lakes; tracts having unique natural features in need of protection; and lands that could provide expanded outdoor or resource protection. As a part of this

program, anyone can identify and nominate parcels of land for public acquisition.

The MNRTF land nomination process has been a very successful feature of the program since its inception. It provides a method through which any individual—not just landowners—may notify the DNR of land available for public acquisition with exceptional recreational value or outstanding natural features.

Nominations must be postmarked by April 1 of any year to be considered for grant funding in that year's grant cycle. The DNR is limited to paying the fair-market value of each parcel, as determined by an appraisal.

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Last year, more than \$18 million was approved by the MNRTF Board for public-land acquisitions, several of which were the result of nominations by individuals.

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Nomination forms are available from the DNR's Administrative Services Division, Recreation Grants Section, P.O. Box 30425, Lansing, MI 48909-7925; (517) 373-9125.

HEALTHLINE

Linda DeMarchis, M.A., Health Educator

This column is presented as a public service to the community by District Health Department No. 1, which serves Wexford, Missaukee, Kalkaska, and Crawford counties. If you have a question you would like answered, please send it to Health Educator, District Health Department No. 1, 401 Lake St., Cadillac, MI, 49601.

Question: I've been advised to keep water running to prevent my pipes from freezing in very cold weather. Could this harm my septic tank?

Signed: Rural Homeowner.

Answer: Due to the severe weather, many water utilities have asked their water customers to leave water running to prevent pipes from freezing. If homeowners have septic tanks, they should take precautions not to overload them. Most home sewage systems are designed to dispose of three to four hundred gallons of water per day. Running large amounts of additional

water could cause their sewage system to fail, necessitating costly repairs.

If you have a septic system, the best recourse would be to run the water through an outside faucet and dispose of it on the ground surface at a location away from the septic system. If it is not possible to use an outside faucet, owners should measure the amount of water they are using to minimize the stress to their sewage systems. Most utilities are recommending leaving one faucet running at a pencil-stream volume. This is a rate of about four gallons per hour. This can be measured by simply taking a milk jug and timing how long it takes to fill.

We certainly don't want to discourage people from running their water to prevent their pipes from freezing. However, it is important that persons with septic systems take some precautions not to overload them.

For information on septic-tank care and maintenance, call the environmental health department in your area.

District Health Department No. 1 has scheduled the following clinics at the Grayling office. Appointments are recommended or required for all clinics. Call 348-7800 for information on these clinics and our Environmental Health Services.

Call for an appointment:
Immunization Clinic: Feb. 7, 14, 15, 21 and 22.

Family Planning: Feb. 13 and 27.
Medicaid Screening: Feb. 6.

Premarital Class: Feb. 21.
Optional/Confidential HIV/AIDS testing: Feb. 14.

WIC, Supplemental Food Program for pregnant women, infants and children: Feb. 8, 14, 15, 21, 22 and 29.

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Stupak asks for Valentine cards for NATO forces

Rep. Bart Stupak is asking northern Michigan residents to write a note of good cheer on a Valentine's Day card for the U.S. members of the NATO force, and also for residents of the D. J. Jacobetti Home for Veterans in Marquette, and the Department of Veterans Affairs medical facility in Iron Mountain.

In order to make sure the cards are delivered on time, Bjorkquist is asking that cards be delivered to the congressional offices by Feb. 2. No public funds are being used in the program, he said.

The offices are located at the following sites: 111 E. Chisholm, Alpena, MI 49707, or 1120 E. Front St., Suite D, Traverse City, MI 49686.

HOMETOWN NEWS

Dena and Daniel LeBlanc of Tustin, are the parents of a son, Matthew William, born at 4:24 p.m. Dec. 31, 1995, at Mercy Hospital in Cadillac. He weighed 6 pounds, 15 ounces, and was 20 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are William and Mary Tarr of Grayling. Paternal grandparents are Paul and Norma LeBlanc of Flint. Maternal great-grandparents are Jeff and Wilma Carter of Glenie, and the late Margaret Tarr.

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Enrichment woodcarving class offered BITS OF TALK



CARVING DUCKS--Students in the AuSable Community Education Enrichment Program woodcarving class are busy working on duck decoys with their instructor Joy Yax.

The Crawford AuSable Community Education office is pleased to announce the addition of a woodcarving class to the spring 1996, Community Enrichment Schedule.

Woodcarving will be held on Wednesday evenings, beginning Feb. 7, at Grayling High School from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Cost of the class is \$35 plus materials. The instructor will be Joy A. Yax.

Yax has been carving since 1979.

and has won over 500 Blue Ribbons, over 100 Best of Shows, and is the only woman, so far, known as a "World Champion." She has been teaching for 15 years, from beginners to professionals, and many of her students have won awards from all over the country. Yax said, "I believe anyone can carve—the only thing required is 'desire'—the rest can be taught."

Students in the class can expect to complete a full-sized, smooth, easily-

painted decoy in the class. Most supplies can be purchased through the instructor or a craft shop. A list of supplies needed will be covered the first night of class.

Persons interested in participating in this unique opportunity, may register at the Adult Learning Center, Hanson Hills, or at Grayling High School the first night of the class. Call 348-7641 extension 550 days, or 123 evenings, to reserve your spot.

By Fay Bovee

This is not usually the time of year that improvements are noted, but coming down the business loop the other day, we realized that the Plaza Bar has done some extensive renovation. The sides of the main building, as well as the very old building on the back part has also been re-sided in gray siding. It makes a big improvement, and I wonder how many people have ever noticed the part of the old building protruding skyward at the back of the bar. I suspect that is a part of an old house or store that stood on that lot 100 years ago—do any of my readers know if that possibly was one of Grayling's original buildings?

Randy and Tanya Stephens and daughters, Lauren and Marissa, of Indianapolis, Indiana, came weekend before last for the long holiday weekend to spend with her parents, John and Barbara Sojka. Tanya and girls remained for the week, and Randy picked them up this past weekend.

We had a call last week from a former Grayling resident, Marvin Bielski, who lives in Vancouver, Oregon. We thank him for his congratulations and want Grayling people to know that he was inquiring about various ones and asking about the town. He enjoys reading the Avalanche about people and places that he knew. He has retired from teaching.

Mrs. Faith Stripe and her sister-in-law Winnie Glaser of Detroit, flew to Lewiston, Idaho, where they spent a couple of weeks visiting Winnie's sister and her family. The weather was very mild and they enjoyed a private plane ride over a lake resort area and the scenic hills, which were planted with winter wheat.

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Bonnie Leach has been associated with the Miss American Preliminary Pageant Program for 18 years. She has served as the assistant director, hostess and queen's chaperone for the Miss Losco County Scholarship Program. Leach has judged numerous Miss America Preliminary Pageants throughout Michigan.

Don Aune has been involved with the Miss America Program in Michigan since 1972. He is a veteran judge, serving since 1983. In addition, Aune is the head of the Miss Michigan Scholarship Organizations' Field Director Program.

Carolyn Pietchak is deputy treasurer of Denton Township in Roscommon County. She has served as judge's chairman of the Houghton Lake Junior Miss Program for 28 years. Past member of ABWA, she has served as the chairman of the Scholarship

Committee for five years.

Mary Aune has been working with the Miss America Preliminary Pageant for 24 years. In addition, she has been the executive director of the Miss Losco County Scholarship Program for the past 16 years. She became associated with the organization as drama coach for the Miss Losco organization in 1972.

Ron Koenig has been breaking records at Kirtland as the managing director of Kirtland's Center for the Performing Arts, especially its youth programs. He has served as judge for Miss Teen this past summer for the Crawford County Fair Association. After traveling the world over, he has chosen northern Michigan for his home.

Auditors will be Mickey Perez, CPA, and Gerry VanSickle of Grayling State Bank.

Moore would like to welcome them all to Grayling, not only as director of the program, but also in her capacities as past president of the American Business Women's Association (ABWA), and as county clerk/register of deeds for Crawford County.

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100 Main Street • Grayling, MI 49738**Leaders named for May Kirtland Warbler Festival**

Kathleen Ten Wolde, economic developer for the COOR area with Michigan State University Extension Service/Kirtland Community College (KCC), and Bob Hess, wildlife biologist with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (District 7) have been named co-chairpersons of the 1996 Kirtland's Warbler Festival.

The two will lead members of a large planning and action committee of representatives from Crawford, Oscoda, Ogemaw and Roscommon counties, which will coordinate scores

of activities and events during the May 18-19 festival. They were selected at the committee's Jan. 8 meeting at Kirtland Community College.

Kirtland Community College is serving as a partner in the planning of the festival, and the campus will be the focal point for several of the activities. Each community in the 4-county area, is being asked to organize its own programs and events. On Jan. 15, the two chairpersons mailed a letter, a participation form, and a newsletter to more than 1,500 area businesses, chambers of commerce, organizations and individuals, inviting them to plan and to organize events for their own area during the weekend festival.

"The scope of the festival has expanded," said Linda Barnes, Kirtland consultant, "focusing not just on the nesting place of the Kirtland's Warbler, but on the entire jack pine and AuSable River ecosystem."

"We have more than 750,000 acres of public land in the 4-county area," said Hess, "the Hartwick Pines area, the AuSable River, the Rifle River, the CCC Museum, the jack pine system, the dead stream swamp, and so many opportunities for outdoor-recreation and natural-resource enjoyment...and, there are an endless number of ways in

which the festival can introduce these wonders to visitors."

Ten Wolde said, "The committee has begun to compile the festival's event calendar. We will add new activities to it just as fast as communities or organizations advise us that they have an event scheduled; and, we'll include it in the festival publicity. We'll prepare packets of information on the events, which will be mailed in answer to inquiries about the festival. We will also dedicate a special telephone number at the college, (517) 275-5121, ext. 347, to receive calls about the festival. That should be ready sometime this week. The requests have already begun. People from as far away as California, are responding to ads which have appeared in national bird and wildlife magazines. Even the *Wall Street Journal* has mentioned the festival."

A number of events are already being planned such as the Kirtland's Warbler tours in Mio and Grayling, the popular owl walk, an auto tour through the jack pine forests, a Kirtland's Warbler maze project, a juried wildlife art show, and bird-viewing tours. Several other events have been suggested including: wildlife photo contests, a birding tournament, river clean-up projects,

interpretive river float trips, forest tours, wildflower tours, fishing day, garden workshops, seminars and workshops on such topics as fly fishing, nature photography, bird watching, mushrooming and kayaking, to name only a few. While several events will be centered at KCC, many more will be staged throughout the 4-county area.

Committee representatives say vendors may be needed at many activities, to vend birdseed/feeders, food, plants, nature books, gardening materials and more. Also needed are volunteers to work on many of the events being planned.

Residents or organizations of the COOR area who would like to participate in the festival, or who would like to have additional information, should call a festival information line at KCC, (517) 275-5121, ext. 347.

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REENLISTMENT—Staff Sergeant Tina M. Winchester of Grayling, is shown with Brigadier General Peter B. Injasoulian, deputy STARC commander, extending her enlistment in the Michigan Army National Guard for six years. Staff Sergeant Winchester has been assigned to Camp Grayling for several years, including assignment to the 207 Evacuation Hospital when it was deployed in support of Operation Desert Storm in 1990. Her current assignment is to the Installation Support Unit as the nuclear, biological and chemical non-commissioned officer.

RSVP HAPPENINGS

By Gloria Mologianes

We, here at RSVP, had a fun time over the weekend, when we went out to Hanson Hills to help serve a luncheon on Saturday and Sunday for the cross-country ski race. It was fun for everyone involved. This brings up one of the reasons you might want to consider volunteering with us. Here we are, in the middle of what seems to be a very LONGGGG winter, and some of us might be suffering from "Cabin Fever Blues." Getting out and doing things like we did at Hanson Hills helps to relieve that syndrome. If you would like to find out how much fun you can have volunteering,

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New Life achieves CARF accreditation

New Life Community Service has been informed by CARF, the Rehabilitation Accreditation Commission, that it has been accredited for a period of one year for its outpatient services for alcohol and other drug programs.

The latest action marks the second consecutive year that accreditation by CARF has been achieved by New Life Community Service. CARF, a private, nonprofit organization established in 1966, is the nation's leading accreditation body in the rehabilitation field. It is committed to enhancing quality rehabilitation services utilizing a peer-review process.

New Life Community Service's programs underwent an extensive 2-day exam conducted by knowledgeable professionals who practice in the substance abuse field. Policies and procedures were thoroughly reviewed, and personal interviews were conducted with selected employees, board of directors members, funding sources, as well as former and current clients.

"New Life Community Service has voluntarily put itself through a rigid peer-review process and has demonstrated that its rehabilitation programs are of high quality, measurable and accountable."



NEW LIFE STAFF--Pictured are (Back L to R) Dan McGahey, Pattie Scott and Carol Mogg. In the front row (L to R) are Sandy Shellfish, Roberta Buss, Judy Woodland and Jacquie Guernsey.

according to Donald E. Galvin, Ph.D., president and chief executive officer of CARF.

New Life Community Service is a nonprofit organization, licensed by the State of Michigan, with offices at St. Francis Human Resource Center on West M-72, Grayling. It has been providing counseling and prevention education services to residents of Crawford County and surrounding areas since 1987.

The agency provides group and individual counseling services for various concerns including substance abuse, marriage and relationship, depression, family problems and self-growth. Spiritual counseling is available upon request. Client fees are

adjusted to family income and size. Medicaid is accepted for substance abuse counseling.

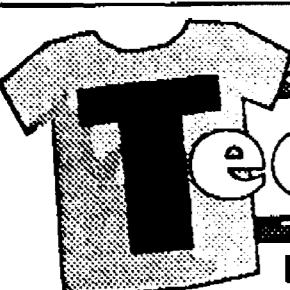
New Life Community Service offers substance-abuse prevention education in the schools and the community, and encourages organizations to contact them if they would like a free presentation.

Additionally, New Life Community Service provides drunk-driving and driver's-license evaluations, alcohol highway safety education classes and treatment services in the Crawford County Jail.

Executive director of New Life Community Service, Roberta Buss, comments, "Although the process of preparing for and undergoing the

inspection was time-consuming and stressful, the staff and board take great pride in achieving accreditation for two years in a row. We are committed to providing quality counseling programs and substance abuse prevention education to our community."

The New Life staff would like to meet the community and show off St. Francis Episcopal Church's new professional office building. Accordingly, the public is invited to an open house at the St. Francis Human Resource Center on West M-72, one mile west of the Old 27 interchange. It will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 7, from 4-6:30 p.m. for additional information, call (517) 348-2544.



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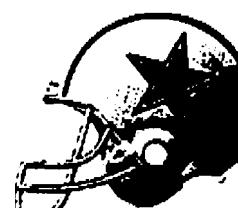
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Section B - Crawford County Avalanche

Thursday, January 25, 1996

Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce dinner

Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce President's Speech

Given at the annual meeting, Jan. 20, by President Don Schanz

In their January issue, *Traverse the Magazine* featured Hartwick Pines, *Outdoor Life* this year picked Grayling as one of the top 20 best places in the country to live. Grayling was picked as one of the top 10 canoe towns by *Paddler Magazine*. And this month, Grayling was the feature article in *Michigan Living*, the AAA Membership magazine.

Last July, during the Marathon, Grayling received worldwide television coverage.

Our community received all this attention because of the cooperative efforts of your chamber of commerce, the Grayling Area Visitors Council and the Weyerhaeuser AuSable River Canoe Marathon.

1995 was a busy and productive chamber year. We were active and effective in many areas.

The chamber played a significant part in land-use hearings held by State Senator George McManus, which are about to result in the introduction of legislation which will bring balance to state land acquisition policies.

A key hearing leading to this legislation was held in Grayling.

Working through the Crawford County Industrial Development Fund, the chamber office has prepared an economic development guidebook, which has been used to encourage a number of businesses to consider our community, as well as assist existing businesses and potential entrepreneurs.

Cooperating with The Road

Commission For Crawford County, the chamber produced a county map. This public-private partnership saved the taxpayers between nine and 10 thousand dollars, and resulted in an up-to-date, accurate road map.

The chamber also created base information for a snowmobile map, which was produced by the *Crawford County Avalanche*.

We anticipate improvements in the map next season, and see it becoming a fundraiser for our snowmobile association.

We are also continuing to work with the Greater Grayling Snowmobile Association on establishment of a designated trail through town, which will be user friendly to our snowmobiling tourists and provide the control we need to ensure the privacy and rights of local residents.

Snowmobiling is a major tourism component, and we will continue to develop that market.

During 1995, we updated our membership information packet, and now boast a total of 323 members. Our highlights included adding the George Mason Chapter of Trout Unlimited to our membership, signifying the partnership of business and outdoor organizations in preserving the natural resources which make us special.

During the past year, the Grayling Uptown District Association (GUDA), became part of the chamber as a freestanding retail committee, and now serves as the coordinating body of all retail activity. We are very pleased

with this partnership, which is an immense benefit in strengthening the marketing of our community.

In the near future, the chamber will host a river-users roundtable, which we anticipate will be the beginning of a joint effort to improve and protect water resources important to us all.

As of this week, we have begun a remodeling project in the chamber office, and within the next several weeks, will have in place a conference room, able to accommodate meetings of 10-12 people. This will be a big convenience for our committees.

The room will be available for member use, and we hope to accommodate other civic groups if possible.

We will also begin a weekly "breakfast with the membership." Each week, a segment of the membership will be invited to meet with the executive director for an update on chamber activities, and to share ideas. We hope you will make time to attend as we rotate through the membership.

We are also working on getting the internet to Grayling with a local phone call, and are currently joining with several groups in evaluating how this can be done effectively and economically.

Transportation will be of major importance in 1996, as well as the years to come. As the hub and heart of the north, Grayling will play a key role in the development of what is currently



AND THE WINNERS ARE--Chamber Director Jerry Meyer congratulates Melissa Hendershott, while Tammy Galvani looks on. The ladies had the winning tickets in the chamber's \$10,000 raffle and will split a total of \$10,500.

termed the I-73/74 Corridor, running from Sault Ste. Marie to Charleston, South Carolina.

We are currently awaiting results of a study indicating what the impact might be if Grayling is selected as the terminus of a corridor connecting 131 from Kalkaska to I-75.

And, we continue to monitor M-72, and lobby for attention to this busy stretch of highway.

Our tourism committee will be working to bring to your attention the importance of Hanson Hills. The fate of that area is tied to a vote which will come up this year. We feel this is an important facility for our children, and

as a segment of tourism.

Our community development committee is currently in the final design stages of a county-wide survey, which we anticipate will give us an accurate reflection of the direction our residents wish to take as we look to the future.

Out soon will be our new membership directory. This annual project is now a school-to-work effort, which is being accomplished by the Publications One class at the high school, under the direction of Nancy Lemmen.

Our education committee has also continued to expand the Junior

Achievement program, with the cooperation of our schools. Through Junior Achievement, we acquaint our students with the reality of the business world.

As we look to the future, I can tell you that your chamber executive has been busy with retention visits to local industry, and that several local firms are undergoing some major expansion.

Our industrial development effort will continue to focus on working with existing industry, which is the best source for the creation of new jobs. We are currently working with the DNR on pre-approval of industrial sites, to speed processing time when additional firms choose to locate here.

We are investigating the possibility of what might be done with some unsightly buildings in our main business district. Our talks are just beginning, but we plan to pursue a route we hope will lead to economic development in the uptown district.

1995 was exciting and productive. We look forward to even more forward momentum during 1996.

None of what we do can be accomplished without an active, involved membership. We thank you for supporting your elected board, and your enthusiastic participation in the programs which we have undertaken. It doesn't happen without you.

Most of our community participates in the chamber. If your business neighbors have not joined, please urge them to join you as a part of the leadership effort to make Grayling a prosperous, exciting community, while maintaining the resources which make us unique.

John Alef named 'Citizen of the year'

By Don Schanz

The challenging job of choosing a "Citizen of the Year" was made easier this year, because we received a number of nominations for the outstanding individual we are about to name.

Born and raised in Grayling, our recipient has displayed a dedication and support for the community which is unsurpassed.

When you need something done, you probably ask this individual. And with all he does, he never feels he has done enough. He constantly works toward the goals and dreams he has for the community, many of which are directed at programs and activities for young people.

His accomplishments include being a senior active member and Paul Harris recipient of the Grayling Rotary Club.

His many, many activities include involvement with the Grayling Youth Booster Club, M-72 Lake-to-Lake Association, Crawford County Housing Commission, Community Recreation Center Committee, Mercy Hospital Physician Recruiting Committee, Chamber of Commerce, Grayling Sportsmen's Club, Uptown District Association, Grayling Ducks Unlimited, Crawford County Economic Development Fund, AuSable River Canoe Marathon,



AWARD WINNER--Chamber President Don Schanz presents the "Citizen of the Year" award to John Alef Jr.

Habitat for Humanity, and many, many more, on a list far too long to read tonight.

To keep you guessing, we have left out the many offices he has held in all the organizations we mentioned.

You will see this person on the 4th of July working in the City Park, at pancake breakfasts, in the Rotary Minstrel Show, at parades, Bingo

games. He is literally everywhere.

As a native, his appreciation of our natural resources is inherent and insatiable.

Fishing, skiing, canoeing and water sports are daily elements of his life.

After graduating from Grayling High School, and heading off to Central Michigan University, these elements brought him back to his community.

Somewhat our recipient finds time for a job. He is the senior vice president, lending officer, and manager of the Grayling region of the Grayling State Bank, Citizens Banking Corporation of Grayling, where his responsibilities have included commercial, consumer and mortgage lending management of all GSB loan portfolios and two Grayling branches.

True to form, he is here tonight, working for the chamber of commerce in his role as a board member.

Please join me in honoring our Citizen of the Year...John Alef.

Athena Presentation

By Donna Maska

Thank you, and I would like to add my thanks to Brad Scheer, Scheer Motors and Oldsmobile for their support of the Athena program.

This award program celebrates the potential of all women as valued members and leaders of the community, and recognizes those who support them.

The Athena Award honors individuals who strive toward the highest levels of professional accomplishment, women and men who excel in their chosen field, have devoted time and energy to their community in a meaningful way, and who also open paths so that others may follow.

The recipient we honor tonight is a long-time resident of Grayling, who owns and operates her own business.

She graduated from Grayling High School in 1975.

In 1988, she graduated from Central Michigan University, earning a business degree.

While attending college, she was also busy being the mother of two children, excelling in that role as well. She is an active member and past president of the American Business Women's Association.

During her tenure, the association enjoyed an increase in membership and an active participation in community affairs.

She has also provided her considerable time and energies in promoting the Grayling Junior Miss Program. She served as the director for several years, and with Sandy



AWARD WINNER--Brad Scheer of Scheer Motors presents the Athena Award to Mary Ann Bloomquist.

Annual Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce Banquet and \$10,000 Raffle

Chamber Executive Jerry Meyer presented the gavel to president Don Schanz of Weyerhaeuser, who has accepted a second term.

Due to business commitments, neither of the officers in line to move up to the presidency, was able to accept this year, and Schanz agreed to serve another year.

Prior to his message to the members, President Schanz

presented plaques to outgoing board members Terry Bloomquist, Judy Craft and Jack Stevens.

Schanz also presented a plaque to Ralph Stevens for his leadership as president of the Crawford County Industrial Development Fund. Stevens stepped down from that office recently due to business demands on his time, and has been succeeded by Dave Frederick.

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Spring 1996



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Monday - February 5, 1996
7 - 9 pm

BEGINNING GENEALOGY
Location: GHS
Room A-6
Fee: \$35.00

Climbing Your Family Tree. This class will be a basic guide to the novice researcher. Genealogy is an adventure. You will find individuals from all walks of life-perhaps a lumberjack, a king or two, or even a bank robber. Topics will include where to start, how to retrieve vital records, church records and probate records.

Instructor: Shelley Hubbard

WOODSHOP
Location: GHS Woodshop
Fee: \$35.00
Materials Extra

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Instructor: Bob Prause

FIRST AID/CPR
Location: GHS Room A-9
Fee: \$35.00
Materials Extra

This course will cover adult cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and pediatric and infant CPR. Class enrollment will be limited to 12 participants. The materials cost will be \$13.50. The class will be taught by a certified E.M.T. and upon completion of the course, participants will receive an American Heart Association CPR and First Aid certificate card.

Instructor: Karen Lozon

INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTERS
Location: ALC Room L-2
Fee: \$50.00
Time: 6-10 pm

This course is a 15-week introductory course to computer usage. The basic objective is to acquaint students with an application program which will perform spreadsheet, database, and word processing tasks. Specifically the Microsoft Works program will be used, with the South-Western book Microsoft Works Tutorial and Applications used as the classroom text.

Instructor: Mel Lucksted

Tuesday - February 6, 1996
7 - 9 pm

DRIED FLOWER ARRANGING
Location: Flowers by Josie
Michigan Ave.
Fee: \$35.00 - Materials extra

Crawford AuSable Community Education Program, in conjunction with Flowers by Josie, will be offering an 8-week course in dried and silk flower arranging.

The course will consist of three sessions, each session designed to create a unique and permanent keepsake.

The first two sessions will cost \$22.50 to \$30.00 apiece depending on the type of arrangement the student chooses to create. The student may bring in their own materials for the final session (no student cost), or they may purchase their supplies at 20% discount at Flower's by Josie. Instructor: E. Dawson, A.I.F.D.

STAINED GLASS
Location: GHS Woodshop
Fee: \$35.00 - Time: 6:30-8:30 pm
Materials extra.

A touch of Tiffany. Every student will make several pieces during the course of this class, and will know and understand the basics of cutting, grinding, foiling, and soldering stained glass.

Instructor: Charles Willette

AEROBICS
Location: GHS Cafeteria
Fee: \$30.00 - Time: 6-7 pm

Exercise with this 60-minute workout. Work your body and shape up for the summer. Classes are held Tuesday and Thursday at 5:30 pm. Bring a mat or towel, beginners welcome.

Instructor: Mari Ann Henion

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Tuesday - February 6, 1996
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INDOOR TENNIS
Location: GHS Cafeteria
Fee: \$30.00

Learn how to play tennis indoors. Classes teach you the basics, so you are ready when the courts are dry. Bring a racket and balls. Classes are held Tuesday and Thursday at 7 pm, beginners welcome.

Instructor: Mari Ann Henion

INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTERS II
Location: ALC Room L-2
Fee: \$50.00
Time: 6-10 pm

This course is a 15-week course on computer usage. The basic objective is to further students' independent use of computer applications.

Instructor: Mel Lucksted

Wednesday - February 7, 1996
6:30 - 9:30 pm

WOODCARVING
Location: GHS Woodshop
Fee: \$35.00
Materials extra

Students in the class can expect to complete a full size, smooth, easily painted duck decoy in the class. Most supplies can be purchased through the instructor or a craft shop. A list of supplies needed will be covered the first night of the class.

INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTERS - WORDPERFECT
Location: ALC - Room L-2
Fee: \$50.00
Time: 6-10 pm

This course will be an introduction to the WordPerfect application program. Other aspects will be the development of indepth applications for the Microsoft Works program.

Instructor: Mel Lucksted

OIL PAINTING
Location: GHS Art Room
Fee: \$35.00 - Time: 7-9 pm.

We will study basic concepts such as color wheel shading techniques, and proportion techniques. Advanced students will find a relaxed atmosphere for individual painting.

Instructor: Penny Sendek

Thursday - February 8, 1996
6-10 pm

INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTERS
Location: ALC Room L-2
Fee: \$50.00

This course is a 15-week introductory course to computer usage. The basic objective is to acquaint students with an application program which will perform spreadsheet, database, and word processing tasks. Specifically the Microsoft Works program will be used, with the South-Western book Microsoft Works Tutorial and Applications used as the classroom text.

Instructor: Mel Lucksted

Saturday
February 9, 16, & 23, 1996
9 am - 5 pm

UKRANIAN EGG DECORATING
Location: GHS
Fee: \$30.00 Per session

Ukrainian egg decorating will be offered to area residents, beginning in March. The history of the egg and how to do them, as well as acquiring the tools of the trade, will be offered in this course. Each class session is limited to 15 participants, at \$30 per session. Sign-up deadline is two weeks prior to the course.

Instructor: Marjorie Len

Athens Award

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Moore, joined in presenting the Grayling Junior Miss Pageants, which have provided a wonderful experience for the participants, as well as showcasing our youth to the community.

A past chairperson of the Grayling Chapter of the Red Cross, she was instrumental in providing emergency services for the catastrophic fire of 1990.

She remained active with the Red Cross administration until just recently, when she passed the mantel of leadership, but remains available for consultation and assistance when needed.

Her work places her in constant contact with the public, where she has demonstrated patience and professionalism, tempered with an engaging sense of humor, which helps make the buying and selling of property less traumatic.

She has also helped modernize the business by marketing real estate closings, which have added a new dimension and service to the abstract business at the Crawford County Abstract and Title Company where she is employed.

She also owns and operates HardBodyz Health and Fitness Club, which she has updated with new workout equipment, and where she tirelessly promotes family fitness and nutrition.

She assists in the training of individuals and has increased memberships to over 200, almost double the number enrolled when she took over.

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and community involvement, our

recipient finds time to be a loving and

caring mother to her two teenage

daughters, Angela and Christine.

Her busy schedule includes being a band member supporter and taxi mom, while also providing the guidance, emotional support and encouragement to permit her daughters to be the best they can be.

She also squeezes in time to be a thoughtful and loving wife to her husband Terry.

I am sure that by now you all recognize the person I have been talking about, and as she comes forward, please join me in honoring our Athena Award recipient...MaryAnn Bloomquist.



Chamber President Don Schanz (L), congratulates outgoing board members Terry Bloomquist and Judy Craft on a job well done.

Viking's future athletic conference affiliation is still up in the air

By Linda Sherwood
Staff Writer

The future of Crawford AuSable School District's athletic conference affiliation is still up in the air, but progress is being made.

Crawford AuSable School District is currently a member of the Lake Huron Division of the Great Northern Conference. That conference affiliation is dissolving and the remaining

Northeast Michigan Athletic Conference

School	Distance	Enrollment
Bay City John Glenn	100	860
Gladwin	67	567
Ogemaw Heights	49	845
Oscoda	94	500
Pinconning	83	725
Saginaw Valley Lutheran	115	463
Standish Sterling	73	626
Tawas	80	525
Average	83	639

members are looking for alternatives. The Lake Huron Division only has four remaining members left, including Grayling.

The CASD Board of Education had approved the application of a transfer within the Great Northern Conference to the Lake Michigan Division. At the board meeting on Jan. 15, Superintendent Kent Reynolds announced the application was rejected by the Lake Michigan Division. The size of the average school within the Lake Michigan Division is about 200 students smaller than Grayling High School.

At the meeting on Jan. 15, the board voted to approve the application to the

Northeast Michigan Athletic Conference. The schools already members in the conference include Bay City John Glenn, Gladwin, Ogemaw Heights, Oscoda, Pinconning, Saginaw Valley Lutheran, Standish Sterling and Tawas.

The average size of the schools within the conference is 639, which compares nicely to Grayling's enrollment of 620 students, said Reynolds. The student enrollment within the conference ranges from 463 to 860 students.

The longest drive would be 115 miles to Saginaw Valley Lutheran. Currently, Grayling travels longest distance to Rogers City, which is 100 miles. Director Ben Laser stated the trip to Saginaw Valley would be a lot easier than the trip to Rogers City. He also suggested that the more southerly route would be an advantage weatherwise as opposed to traveling north.

Principal Joel Raddatz stated that joining the Northeast Michigan Conference is "probably the best opportunity for Grayling and may be the only opportunity."

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1996 GHS Viking wrestlers excellent in meet, tourney

By Terry Wright
News Editor

The Grayling High School Viking wrestling team met the Charlevoix Red Rayders and the Onaway Cardinals on the home mats on Thursday, Jan. 18. Grayling defeated the Cards by a 36-33 score, then went on to beat Charlevoix 48-24.

Winning both matches for the Vikings were junior Dana Beckwith at 103 pounds; sophomore Dave Shepherd, 119 pounds; junior Eddie Davis, 125 pounds; sophomore Ben Malonen, 130 pounds; junior Jason Hall, 135 pounds; sophomore Nate Niederer, 162 pounds and senior Dale Kniss, at 215 pounds.

Freshman Charles DesMoines,

wrestling at 145 pounds, took a single match.

On Saturday, Jan. 20, the Vikings traveled to Ithaca for a 17-team invitational tournament. At the end of the day, the Vikings had beaten 12 of the participating teams, good for a fifth place finish.

The top five finishers were, Middleville (178 points), Burton Bendel (146.5), Central Montcalm (136.5), St. Charles (136.5), and Grayling (131.5).

Kniss proved the best of the 215-pound weight division and brought home a tournament championship. Kniss now boasts a perfect 27 win, 0 loss record.

Hall finished in overall second

place and now has a record of 23-4.

Finishing third were Shepherd (16-3 record), Dana Beckwith (22-7), and junior Josh Taylor (4-1). Davis (25-3) placed fourth, and Malonen (24-10) finished fifth. Also scoring points for the Vikings were DesMoines and Niederer.

"It was an excellent team effort at Ithaca," said Viking Coach Don Ferguson.

Ferguson named Malonen his Viking of the Week for both of his strong performances.

On Thursday, Jan. 25, the Vikings travel to Mancelona for a tri-meet with the host Ironmen and the Kalkaska Blue Blazers.



COME ON REF, HE'S PINNED--Viking junior Jason Hall looks for a decision from the referee during the recent match with Onaway. Seconds after the photo, the call was made and Hall had earned another pin.



ANOTHER VIKING WINNER--Sophomore Nate Niederer has his Onaway opponent down and in apparent agony enroute to a pin.

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23 years ago in sports

Jan. 25, 1973

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Camp Grayling 63—Junttila, 39;
Bonamie, 10; Latusek, 8; White, 2;
Doremi, 2; Trudgeon, 2. Holiday
Inn 61—Hamlin, 17; Mertes, 14;
Simons, 14; Dean, 7; Weiler, 4;
Weaver, 3; Madill, 3.

Fox Construction/Hinkle REMAX
76—R. Tobin, 23; Fox, 12; Swope,
10; Burrell, 8; C. Hinkle, 8; Donahoe,
6; Burkett, 4; J. Tobin, 3; Harland, 2.

Big Boy/Sylvester's 72—Abney, 23;
D. Jung, 20; Waite, 15; Fortino, 10; M.

Jung, 4.

Spike's 62—Patterson, 18;
Thompson, 16; J. Gardiner, 13; Potter,
8; Kolka, 5; T. Gardiner, 2.

Weyerhaeuser 46—Hull, 17; Dandy,
11; Kimo, 8; Grant, 4; McEvers, 2;

Gothro, 2; Lange, 2.

Top Scorers LaForest, 28.5; Jung,
23.3; Ryckman, 22; Junttila, 21.6;
Patterson, 20.6; Abney, 20; R. Tobin,
18; Simons, 17; Trenary, 15.5;
Thompson, 15.3.

3-point Leaders: Patterson, 13;

LaForest, 12; Jung, 12; Simons, 10;

Junttila, 8.

Free Throw Percent Junttila, 85%;
Trenary, 84.6%; Burkett, 84.6%;
Ryckman, 83.3%; Mertes, 82.3%;
Shepler, 80.0%; Hamlin, 73.3%; R.

Tobin, 70%; Thompson, 70%; Jung,
69.5%.

Foul Leaders: Weaver, 13;
Trudgeon, 12; Burrell, 12; Swope, 11;
Waite, 11; T. Gardiner, 10; Hamlin,
10; White, 9; Jung, 9.

VIKING HOOP-
STERS—The Gray-
ling Viking boys' bas-
ketball team split a
pair of games last
week. On Tuesday,
the Vikings lost to the
tough Petoskey
Northmen, but on Fri-
day the Vikings beat
the Whittemore-
Prescott Cardinals.

Pictured at the right
(top) is junior Brad
Larm shooting a set
shot, and (bottom)
junior David Sabin
driving for the bas-
ket in the Whittemore
game.



Viking netters fall to tough competition

The Vikings Varsity Volleyball
team was unable to beat the teams at
the Whittemore Prescott tournament
despite great play by several mem-
bers.

The Viking netters had a strong
showing against Tawas, the eventual
pool winner, said Coach Becky Brown.
Tawas used soft attacks and well-placed
tips to break down the Viking defen-
sive coverage, which led to the win.
Leading hitters for the Vikings were
Jessica St. Germain and Brooke
Blaauw. Tawas defeated the Vikings
14-16 and 9-15.

Immediately after ending the game
against Tawas, the Vikings faced off
against Oscoda without any break.

The Vikings were unable to fully
regroup, said Brown. "The Vikings
are generally strongest in their attack
and blocking but Oscoda had an agres-
sive defense and kept the ball in play."

Leading hitters for the Vikings
against Oscoda were Monica Law-
rence, Amy Neal, Blaauw and Trisha
Ormsbee. The Vikings lost to Oscoda
11-15 and 3-15.

"Against Hale, we showed more
hustle and worked well as a team,"
said Brown. Erin Smith and Nicole
Craigie exhibited some very strong
blocking. Craigie also led the hitting
for the team. The defensive and serv-
ing strengths were Rebecca Shahan,
Jessica Waite and St. Germain.

The netters split with Hale 9-15 and
15-11.

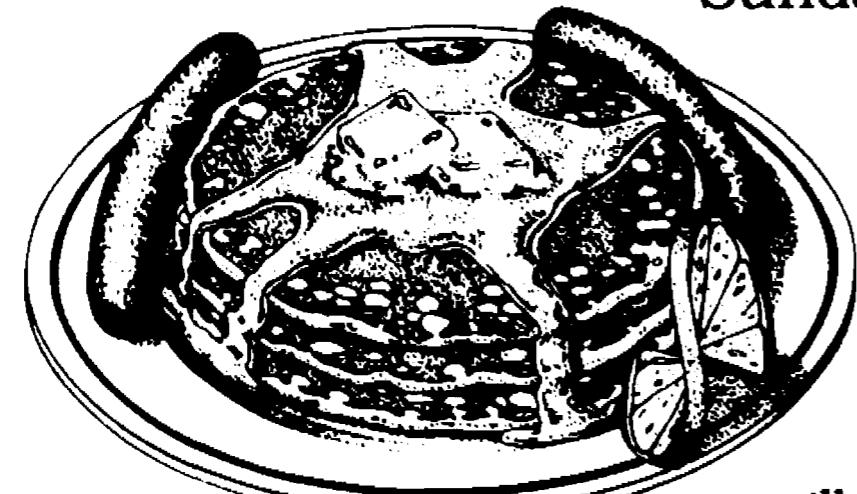


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Sunday, January 28th
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High Game: L. Dellar, 198, C. Czuba, 193, J. Michal, 190. High Series: L. Dellar, 550, A. Masse, 540, J. Michal, 496.	

Senior Citizen League	
Buccilli's	43-29
Sylvester's	42-30
Comell's	39-33
Totten's Body Shop	36-36
Century 21	33-39
Flowers by Josie	33-39
Baynham	31-41
Larry & Joan's	31-41
Men's High Game: D. Germain, 203, L. Esasimbre, 189, G. Wolfe, O. Brantley, 187. Men's High Series: D. Germain, 554, O. Brantley, 508, G. Wolfe, 483.	
Women's High Game: B. Barrett, 187, D. Brantley, 182, D. Mead, 176. Women's High Series: B. Barrett, 480, D. Brantley, 479, D. Mead, 477.	

American Mens League	
Fenton's Auto Service	17-4
McLeans Hardware	16-5
Auto Parts	13-8
Upper Lakes Tire	11-10
Stitches by Sue	9-12
HCT	7-14
Rod's Auto Body	7-14
Red Barn	4-17
High Game: R. Pyle, 253, P. Faustman, 249, J. Davis, 237. High Series: R. Pyle, 640, J. Davis, 631, P. Faustman, 597.	

Thursday Coffee League	
Johnson's Survey	13
Lone Pine	10-5
Buccilli's	9
Wakeley Auto Parts	8
Glen's Market	8
Shady Acres	7
AuSable Construction	5
Plaza Bar	3-5
High Game: S. Romain, 196, S. France, T. Papendick, 191, M. Koch, 180. High Series: M. Koch, 521, S. Romain, 519, E. Helvel, 475.	

Sunday Night Mixed Doubles	
Us & Them	10-2
Mac's Drugs	8-4
M A D S	7-5
Glen's Market	6-6



CHAMPIONS—The Grayling Middle School 7th grade girls' basketball team recently finished its season with a perfect 9-0 record. The season was capped off with a tournament championship at Houghton Lake. The girls averaged a total of 41 points per game and allowed their opponents only eight points per game.

The team members include Brandy Ritter, Carrie Cadeau, Jasmine Waite, Jayme Potter, Carolyn Fleishmann, Kristi Wargo and Michelle Sanborn. The team was coached by Harold Mertes.

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POOL LEAGUE

House of Cabinets	5
City Environmental	5
High Game: B. Annis, 243, A. Angove, 226, 221, R. Boonie, 211.	
High Series: A. Angove, 604, R. Boonie, 578, T. Kotush, 573.	

Chief Shoppenagon's	36-23
Red Barn I	36-21
Plaza	36-18
Spike's	36-18
Froglies	18-9
Breakers	18-9
Red Barn II	36-14
Frederic Inn	36-14
Weyerhaeuser	0-0

Men's Pool League	
January 15, 1996	

A. Bulldog Towing	12-4
Deb & Dale's	11-5
JJ's Motor Mall	11-5
Rosy Const.	10-6
Gryning Ford	6-10
Barber Const.	6-10
Jackson Trio	5-11
Spike's	3-13
High Game: C. Beck, 238, L. Davis, 202, J. Helsel, 199. High Series: L. Davis, 561, T. Devins, 556, A. Angove, 540.	

Women's Pool League	
Shoppenagon's	47
Legion	45
Plaza	39
Spike's	37

Grayling Youth Bowling	
Cowboys	
Bounty Hunters	16-8
Outlaws	16-8
Posse	15-9
Young Guns	14-10
Mustangs	12-12
Marshalls	11-13
Rustlers	6-18
Cowgirls	6-18
Boy's High Game: Keith Proucunier, 213. Boy's High Series: J. R. Ginter, 508.	
Girl's High Game: Debbie Harris, 170. Girl's High Series: Debbie Harris, 455.	

Little Indians	
Mohegans	16.5-1.5
Chippewas	14-4
Apaches	10-8
Iroquois	9.5-8.5
Comanche	7-11
Chippewa	6-12
Seminole	5-13
Cheyenne	4-14
Boy's High Game: Kyle Roman, 140. Boy's High Series: Kyle Roman, 271.	
Girl's High Game: Ashley Hawley, 116. Girl's High Series: Ashley Hawley, 209.	

Gold Rush	
Forty Niners	13-5
Black Smiths	13-5
Trail Blazers	11-7
Gold Miners	10-8
Silver Nuggets	8-10
Mule Skimmers	7-11
Wagon Masters	5-13
Sod Busters	5-13
Boy's High Game: Dan Corwin, 94. Boy's High Series: Jesse Gildner, 178.	
Girl's High Game: Darcie Lovely, 118. Girl's High Series: Darcie Lovely, 207.	

24-H swim	
registration	

Remember, sign-up for 4-H swim registration for children ages 3 and up, will be held on Thursday, Jan. 25, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. It will be held in the basement of the Crawford County Courthouse. Registration will be on a first-come, first-serve basis.	
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Classes are held on Tuesday or Wednesday at the Holiday Inn in Grayling. Cost will be \$18 per session for the first child and \$13 per session for each additional child.	
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Should you have questions, you may contact the 4-H Office at 348-2841, ext. 264.	
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FOOTNOTES FROM THE HILLS

Grayling Recreation Authority News

By Cindy Olson

Ski Season

Parents and kids! Here is the ski season schedule! Thursday and Friday evenings from 5-9 p.m., Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sundays, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Feb. 16 and 19 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. There is no school on these days.

Private lessons are always available. Our cross-country trails are open seven days a week, along with our tubing and sledding hill. This year, we are offering a skating rink also! Whatever you need to enjoy the cold weather, we've got it.

GSB Race Clinic Information

Forty-two area kids took part in week number two of the GSB free race clinic at Hanson Hills.

In the pre-school and kindergarten group, Rachel Doremire took first-place honors, followed by Jessica Riddle. The first and second grade girls were led by Jill Seager in first, and Colleen Fleischmann in second.

The boys' group was led by Andrew Hart. Again we had a lot of third and fourth grade participants with Jody Riddle in first place; Nichole Doremire in second; Mallory Olson in third; Nichole Dixon, fourth; and Ashley Sajdak in fifth. The boys were led by Joey Highien in first; Matt Seager in second; Alex McNamara, third; Eric Olson, fourth; Trevor Clough, fifth; Paul Montagne, sixth; Zach VanNuck, seventh; Jimmy Jansen, eighth; and Patrick McNally, ninth.

The fifth and sixth grade girls were led by Joni Ames, first; Andrea Alvarez, second; Sasha Latuszek, third; Sally Jansen, fourth; Britni Baker, fifth; and Becky Call, sixth. Kiel Clough took home the first place for the fifth and sixth grade boys again this week; Justin Hanes took second; Damien Fleischmann, third; Ben McNally, fourth; Eric Hart, fifth; Justin Lobsinger, sixth; Eric Hunter, seventh; and Nate Mueller and Josh Jurkovich

tied for eighth. We had no seventh and eighth grade girls take part in the program again this week. The boys were led by the "flash" from Mio, Luke Ames; second was Jason Boreo; third, Jeff Montagne; fourth, Derek Quick; fifth, Matt Thomas; sixth, Anthony Jurkovich; eighth, Andy Pepin.

John Alcf said, "It's great to see this number of kids out at the park and racing on a Sunday afternoon." You are welcome to come out and watch the kids race, which starts at 1 p.m. on Sunday afternoon.

Rollerblade Hockey League

Games will begin Thursday, Jan. 25, and will last six weeks.

Womens' Volleyball

Exciting competition in Womens' Volleyball tournaments has left Mac's Drugs, MIMA and Carlisle Paddles to fight for the Championship title, Wednesday, Jan. 24. Games are at 8:30 and 9:15 p.m.

Fourth and Fifth Grade Free Ski

Rain and warm weather has delayed our free-ski program one week. It will start on Wednesday, Jan. 24. Anyone who has scheduling changes or questions, may call the school board office and talk to Nancy.

Winter Wolf Festival

The Festival is back! We are planning many great family events. Plan on attending Jan. 25 thru 28. Come and have fun with us!

Your spotlight on local
entertainment and
activity schedules.

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LEGAL ACTION

SYNOPSIS Crawford County Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting of Jan. 9, 1996

Meeting was called to order by temporary Chairman Sandra Moore, county clerk, at 10:07 a.m. in the County Building, Grayling, Michigan on Jan. 9, 1996. Roll Call: Long, Hartman, Black, McLachlan, Smock and Bretzke present. Absent: None. County Clerk Sandra Moore present. Others were present at various times.

IN FORMAL ACTION THE COMMISSIONERS:

—Accepted the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of Dec. 20, 1995 and the Organizational Board Meeting of Jan. 3, 1996.

—Accepted the Ways & Means Committee Report and approved payment of the following vouchers: General Fund, \$43,616.94; Marriage Counseling Fund, \$249.48; D.A.R.E. Program, \$154; Commissioners per diem and expenses: Long, \$84; Smock, \$84; Hartman, \$84; Black, \$84; McLachlan, \$84; and Bretzke, \$84.

—Accepted 11 pieces of correspondence as presented.

—Asked the County Clerk to research with Michigan Association of Counties the proper procedure for converting the Prosecutor position in Crawford County from part time to full time for the term beginning Jan. 1, 1997.

—Asked that the Prosecutor examine various Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes concerning Commissioners Compensation and to form an opinion as to whether any action concerning compensation in 1995 can become effective in 1996 or must wait until the new Board takes office on 1/1/97.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

A full context of the meeting minutes are available in the Clerk's Office.

Sandra Moore,
Acting Chairperson/County Clerk

Grayling Township Board and Grayling Township Planning Commission Special Meeting, Jan. 11, 1996

Grayling Township Board Members:

Lynette Corlew, John Medler, Monica Ashton, Ruth O'Mara, Arnold Stancil. Grayling Township Planning Commission Members:

Present: Gerald Frits, John Medler, Dale French, Anthony Lupo, George Monks. Others Present:

Sue Seifert, Rich Morrison, Kari Lohela.

Meeting called to order at 7 p.m. by Supervisor Stancil. The purpose of the Special Meeting is to receive and review formal presentation of a Feasibility Study concerning Section 33, T26N, R3W.

Stancil introduced Rich Morrison and Kari Lohela, representing Wilcox Associates, Inc., engineering, surveying and environmental sciences firm which was hired by Grayling Township in the fall of 1995, to determine the feasibility of Section 33, T26N, R3W, being developed for industrial purposes.

Lohela and Morrison distributed copies of the Study to all members of both boards and presented an hour-long overview followed by a question-and-answer period.

The study covers the following topics:

Description of Site: Land cover, wetlands and streams, topography and drainage, soils, Kirtland Warbler habitat.

Transportation: Transportation systems and access, railroad, road/system improvements, existing recreational trails.

Surrounding land use and existing zoning. Development potential, water supply and wastewater disposal, site development.

Potential improvements funding sources. Maps.

Copies of Phase I of the Section 33, T26N, R3W Feasibility Study are available for inspection at the Grayling Township Hall during regular business hours.

Motion by Ashton, support by Corlew, to adjourn. All ayes.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.

Grayling Township Clerk

SYNOPSIS Crawford County Ways & Means Committee Meeting of Jan. 9, 1996

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Bretzke at 8:05 a.m. in the County Courthouse in Grayling, Michigan. Members present:

Bretzke, Black, Hartman. Absent: McLachlan, Long and Smock. County Clerk Sandra Moore, present. McLachlan and Smock present at 8:10 a.m. There were others present at various times.

IN FORMAL ACTION THE COMMISSIONERS:

—Agreed to honor the request of the Prosecutor that he will stay within the department budget and raise the salary of his confidential secretary.

—Agreed when using signature stamps for County business, all documents and paperwork must be initiated by the user of the stamp and all stamps are to be secured when not in use.

—Asked that the Prosecutor provide the Board with the following information regarding the Soldiers & Sailors Relief Committee: How members are eligible for compensation, and how compensation is determined. Also requested that Alfred Borchers provide the Prosecutor's office with a copy of 1994 and 1995 meeting schedules, times and locations of meetings and notices posted for meetings.

—Accepted the minutes of the Ways & Means Committee Meeting of Dec. 12, 1995.

—Correction of motion recorded on 12/12/95. Motion to read that effective Jan. 1, 1996, all Crawford County elected and non-elected employees be entitled to the same insurance benefits and those with annuity would also be entitled the same annuity package options making insurance coverage benefits equal for all county employees.

—Approved the clerk's purchase of the Printcom Punchcard Tabulation System in the amount of \$18,900, to be shared in equal amounts among \$6,300 between Crawford County, Crawford AuSable Schools, and Grayling Township, and the approval of the software maintenance contract at a cost of \$1,250, which will be shared equally.

—Rescheduled the Ways & Means Meeting to April 16, 1996, eliminating the April 2, 1996 meeting, and to move the October Ways & Means Meeting to Oct. 15, 1996, eliminating the Oct. 1, 1996 meeting.

—Authorized the purchase of a Fax Machine at a cost of less than \$500.

—The Board asked that the Prosecutor investigate any breach of confidentiality regarding the fax machine, and to report any findings as to what did or did not occur, and what steps can be taken to assure confidentiality.

—Asked that the County Clerk offer the sale of County Indexes to other title companies in Crawford County and to accept the best offer of \$2,500 or more.

—Endorsed Howard Taylor as the Gypsy Motel Coordinator with the authority to contract with those individuals of his choice and to pursue this program without any interference from the County for the purpose of privatization.

—Adopted a Resolution to double the permit fees if excavation or construction is started before a permit is acquired.

—Agreed to have the Avalanche print that all houses must have the street number displayed on the building per Uniform House Numbering Ordinance.

—Agreed that a minimum of \$50 be charged for each lot-split application considered with this being effective Jan. 9, 1996.

—Asked that Sheriff Lovley provide the Board of Commissioners with a proposal of the estimated cost to enforce animal control in Crawford County, and also the cost for a full-time officer to make enforcements. This information is to be presented at the next Regular Board Meeting of Jan. 23, 1996.

Motion was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

A full context of the meeting minutes are available in the Clerk's Office.

Sandra Moore, County Clerk

motion carried.

Treasurer's report for December was accepted and placed on file.

CORRESPONDENCE: (No action required)

Crawford County Sheriffs 12-12-95 S.T.I.N.G. Team Report, Grayling Recreation Authority Minutes, 1994-95 Grayling Township Annual Audit Report, Crawford County Board of Commissioners Minutes 12-20-95 and 1-3-96, Crawford Emergency Central Dispatch Report.

CITIZENS WHO WISH TO SPEAK:

Browning Ferris Industries (BFI) representatives were present to refute allegations by City Environmental Services of Waters (CESW) that refuse transferred by BFI from the Grayling Township Compactor Station on N. Down River Road was not being disposed of at the CESW Landfill in Waters as stipulated in the agreement with Grayling Township.

—Kari Paquet and Kevin Heste, BFI, explained that the 40-yard containers from the compactor are being further compacted into 25-yard containers at the transfer station in Lovells prior to being delivered to the CESW Landfill. This allows BFI to save money on landfill fees and also saves landfill space. Ideally, BFI would like to re-compact the refuse at the Grayling Township Transfer Station site if space can be arranged. This may not be able to be accomplished until spring. The Board was assured that the re-compacting process would not cause an unsightly mess or interfere with traffic flow during business hours. The procedure has been approved by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ).

Copies of a letter from BFI to John Ozoga, DNR-Grayling Office, was distributed which explained the re-compacting procedure in further detail. Discussion on possible future recycling operations.

BUSINESS:

Motion by Corlew, support by Ashton, to authorize Stancil to draft a letter to the greater Grayling Snowmobile Association supporting their endeavor with the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce to create a snowmobile trail through the City of Grayling to maintain and increase snowmobiling dollars. In-kind assistance will be offered. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Corlew, support by Ashton, to appoint George Monk, Jr., to the Grayling Township Planning Commission, replacing Mary Garcia who has relocated in the City of Grayling. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by O'Mara, support by Ashton, to authorize Board of Review Members who have not received training to participate in M.T.A. Board of Review Seminar in Grayling on Feb. 22, 1996. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by O'Mara, support by Corlew, that Grayling Township contract with The Planning and Zoning Center, Inc. of Lansing, to develop a Master Plan for Grayling Township. Roll call: O'Mara; aye, Corlew; aye, Medler; aye, Ashton; aye, Stancil; aye. Motion carried.

Total costs of the 4-phase one and one-half year project should not exceed \$19,995, which is considerably less than the estimate given at the time the Township was considering developing a master plan in conjunction with the County of Crawford. The Crawford County project has been shelved, at least temporarily.

Jerry Morford, City of Grayling Manager, informed the board that the City Council had approved contracting with the Planning and Zoning Center to develop a Master Plan for the City in cooperation with Grayling Township at their Jan. 8, 1996 meeting.

Preliminary meetings with Mark Wyckoff of the Planning and Zoning Center will commence in early February, 1996.

Motion by Medler, support by O'Mara, to authorize Consumers Power Company to make changes in the streetlighting service contract with Grayling Township to include the addition of one 100W HPS light at South Bound I-75 and Four Mile Road. All ayes, motion carried. Beaver Creek Township has authorized installation of the same type of light at North Bound I-75 and Four Mile Road.

Reports: Building Department Report on file.

Motion by O'Mara, support by Corlew, to approve payment of bills on vouchers 17364-17373, 17400-17417, Board and Comm. fees of \$407, Guardian Dental, \$305.95, and Liquor Inspections \$180 for a total of \$5,488.47. Roll call: All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Corlew, support by O'Mara, to adjourn.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.

Grayling Township Clerk

Dudley, Rasmussen married



Mr. and Mrs. Joel Rasmussen

Cancun, Mexico.

Joel is a private surgical technician. Eileen is a registered x-ray technician, earning her B.S.N. at Grand Valley State University, and will pursue her master as a nurse anesthesiologist.

The couple resided in Grand Rapids.

The newlyweds honeymooned in

Tips for tax time

Do you toss your W-2 form into a drawer in January, then despair as the April income tax filing deadline approaches? A little organization can save you a lot of worry. H&R Block, the world's largest income tax preparation firm, offers you a systematic approach to getting ready for tax time.

The best way to be ready for the IRS is to keep good records throughout the year. If you have not kept your records current, look for documents and records to substantiate deductions and credits you can claim. A thorough search through your check register, receipts and credit card statements will result in your paying the lowest possible amount of tax.

The following checklist will guide you in your search for records of income, deductions and credits:

• All income received during the year, including income from each of your employers as reflected on your W-2s, income from jury duty, hobbies, casual labor, unemployment compensation or from the sale of stock or other property during the year.

• Money received from rents, royalties, alimony, pensions, prizes and tips.

• Interest earned on savings accounts and other investments.

• Dividends received from mutual funds and corporate securities.

• Costs of home improvements if you sold your personal residence.

• Records of items eligible for deductions: medical insurance

Whether you prepare your own income tax return or seek professional help, file early to avoid the last-minute rush before the April 15 deadline. Electronically filing your tax return saves time

FACTS AND FEATURES

YOUR HOROSCOPE

Your Week Ahead Horoscope

Forecast For: Jan. 28 - Feb. 3, 1996

ARIES

March 21-April 19 Be thankful that all is going well at work. Job satisfaction becomes apparent. You will be appreciated.

TAURUS

April 20 - May 20 Listen to family members. Their ideas count, even if they may be a little far-fetched. Compromise, if possible.

GEMINI

May 21 - June 20 Don't make any financial decisions without doing considerable research. You are apt to get taken in.

CANCER

June 21 - July 22 Take a chance on love. Time is all you have to offer and that may not be as long as you think.

LEO

July 23 - Aug 22 Present your ideas to VIPs; originality is a plus with those in the know. Avoid those with negative feedback.

VIRGO

Aug 23 - Sept 22 Keep commitments to co-workers. Don't put off those promises that you made at the end of the year.

LIBRA

Sept 23 - Oct 22 Great savings are to be had on home decor.

Prepare to redecorate in style. Showcase your talents.

SCORPIO

Oct 23 - Nov 21 A veteran co-workers may surprise you with his resignation. New opportunities may be discovered.

SAGITTARIUS

Nov 22 - Dec 21 Good time to get away from duties at work.

Take advantage of low air-fares and head to warmer climates.

CAPRICORN

Dec 22 - Jan 19 Expect news of a blessed event. Join in the happiness of others, even if you are upset at their news.

AQUARIUS

Jan 20 - Feb 18 Good luck is on the way. Take advantage of it and try to solve a puzzling mystery. Success is yours.

PISCES

Feb 19 - March 20 You have reached the pinnacle and are ready to claim your reward. Celebrate in style with those who helped you get there.



TERRIER POO NEEDS A HOME -- This terrier poo is a male, 2-3 years old, housebroken and is very good with kids. If you would like to give him a home, or any of the other animals at the shelter, stop by the Animal Shelter of Crawford County, or give them a call at 348-4117.

PET CARE TIPS

Winter temperatures, rain and snow are just as hard on dogs and cats as they are on people. If you can, bring your animals inside for the winter, especially young and old pets. If you can't do it for the full season, bring them inside during cold spells, advises the Animal Protection Institute.

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 years ago

Jan. 25, 1973

Lyndon Baines Johnson, 36th president of the United States, died Monday, Jan. 22, at the age of 64. He was stricken with a heart attack at the LBJ Ranch, and was flown to Brooke General Hospital in San Antonio, Texas, where he was pronounced dead on arrival.

"Something for everyone" is the theme of the 48th Annual Winter Sports Carnival scheduled for Grayling, Feb. 9-11. The "Grand-daddy" of all winter carnivals in Michigan will have torch light ski parades on the slopes of Bear Mountain, knitted mitten contests, student art contests, ice sculpture contests, public snowmobile safaris, downhill canoe races, a real klondike canoe race down the AuSable River, ice fishing contests, skating races, helicopter rides, and archery exhibitions.

The Crawford County Sheriff Department is in the process of initiating a division of auxiliary deputies for the department. The auxiliary will be strictly on a volunteer basis, with no pay or remuneration to those involved.

Fred Bear, president, Bear Archery Division, Victor Comptometer Corporation, will be honored as Michigan's most famous outdoorsman on the television show *Michigan Outdoors* tonight. The half-hour program will be devoted entirely to Bear, his early years as a youngster, a bowhunter and a manufacturer. Film clips taken both in the Bear plant in Grayling, and from his hunting films will be shown.

Born on Jan. 19, to Mr. and Mrs. Garry Barrow of Grayling, a daughter, Bridget Ellen, weighing in at 6 pounds, 4 ounces.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bob Johnson of Grayling, are the parents of a daughter, Cheryl Lynn, born on Jan. 18, and weighing 8 1/2 pounds.

Chalama R. Kommareddi, 34, has joined the Department of Natural Resources as a forester trainee at Grayling.

Advertised at the Black & White Market this week are turkey drumsticks, 29¢ a pound; chuck steaks, 89¢ a pound; sugar, five pounds, 39¢; Banquet pot pies, three for 49¢; Butternut white bread, four loaves for \$1; Campbell's vegetable soup, four cans, 49¢; and bananas, 10¢ a pound.

46 years ago

Jan. 26, 1950

Postmaster James McDonnell, who

has headed the Grayling Post Office since his appointment as acting postmaster on Jan. 19, 1935, will retire from his office next Tuesday, Jan. 31.

His successor, as acting postmaster is James Post, former Crawford County treasurer.

Grayling boxers, representing the Grayling Legion Post 106, walked away with the team title at Boyne City last week. Those bringing home a title from the Boyne City meet and who

will fight later at Grand Rapids were:

Delbert Case, open middleweight; Jim

Kolka, open light heavyweight; and

Tony Ekuam, novice lightweight.

Other boxers who lost in the final

rounds were Jack Kolka, bantam class;

and Paul Kruger.

Two Grayling women were

naturalized as citizens of the United

States during the January term of

Circuit Court. Mrs. Erika Knudsen

and Mrs. Paula Jackson were both

made citizens of this country upon

taking their oath before Judge John C.

Shaffer.

Announcement was made this week

of the sale of Long's Market by Charles

Long to Mr. and Mrs. Rolla Failing

who will continue operation of the

store under the same name. The sale

was set as of Jan. 1, Mr. Long said.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Callahan are at

home to their friends at 105 McClellan

St., Grayling. Mrs. Callahan, the

former Helen Harris of Wichita,

Kansas, became the bride of Mr.

Callahan in vows spoken at the Holy

Savior Church on Friday evening, Jan.

13.

Mrs. Harold Johnson and Mrs.

Clayton Kellogg called at the homes

of Mr. and Mrs. William Miller and

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stillwagon,

and stopped for lunch with Mr. and

Mrs. Peter Olsen Monday.

Miss Sandy Strong spent the

weekend in Okemos, visiting Miss

Diane McDonald at the home of her

parents, Col. and Mrs. Ron McDonald.

Miss Shirley Hilderbrand, who is

taking part of her nurses training in

Traverse City, spent the weekend here.

Mrs. Floyd McClain and daughter,

Miss Sally, and Mrs. Jack Papendick

and son LeRoy, spent the weekend in

Detroit, where Sally was feted with a

bridal shower on Saturday evening.

Mrs. Lowell Overly and Mrs. Jack

McClain were hostesses at the shower,

to which 29 guests were invited.

It has been reported that there is a

bicycle with basket attached lying in a

ditch on US-27 near the Kessele residence, and has been there several

days.

Mrs. William MacNeven, daughter

Nadine and little granddaughter Gloria

spent the weekend in Bay City.

94 years ago

Jan. 27, 1902

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Allen Dryer, Monday, Jan. 17, a son.

Over a hundred friends of A. Kraus surprised him Monday evening and assisted him in celebrating his 58th birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Woodfield are agreeably surprised by a visit from their daughter, Kate, now Mrs. L. N. Winney of Morans.

Postmaster Bates has received official notice of his reappointment.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Breakey of Cheney, have been enjoying a week's visit with their oldest son and wife of Alma Center, Wisconsin, where he is the leading druggist.

Arthur Howse and Vaughn Weaver were among the group that drove to Lansing last Thursday on school business.

Kenny Burkhardt is doing some remodeling at his home. Ray Horner is assisting.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivel Hopkins are the proud parents of a new baby daughter, born Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Maurice Babbitt was hostess to the Home Extension club last Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Pearl Babbitt.

69 years ago

Jan. 27, 1927

Mrs. Adolph Peterson underwent an operation Monday morning at Mercy Hospital.

Mrs. F. A. Eckenfels has purchased the property of Jess Schoonover on Chestnut Street adjoining some of her property on the north. Ben DeLaMater and family have moved into the Schoonover house, and Ray Preston and family have moved into the house vacated by the DeLaMater family.

A son, who will be known as Jerry Dave McClain, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Floyd J. McClain (Carrie LaGrow) at Mercy Hospital Monday.

On Saturday afternoon, eight boys surprised Buddy Jorgenson to help him celebrate his eighth birthday, and his uncle, Norval, called with the horses and sleigh to take them all for a ride.

Thirty-three of Ben Yoder's friends dropped into his home Wednesday evening to remind him it was his birthday.

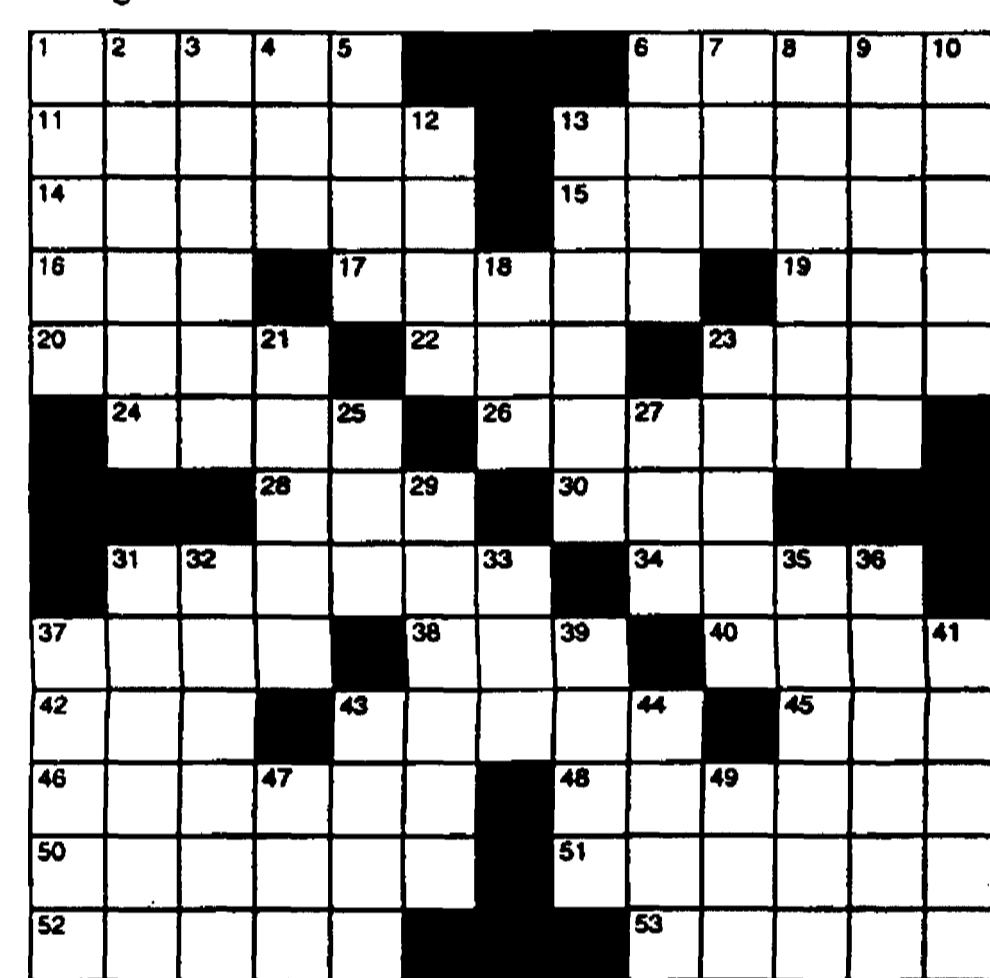
Louis Sorenson, son of the Harry Sorensons, has enlisted in the 5th Army

WEEKEND CROSSWORD

WEEKEND CROSSWORD

THIS WEEK'S PUZZLE ANSWERS

ACROSS	46. Crude
1. Viewpoint	48. Gaseous hydrocarbon
6. Student	50. Dumb
11. Sweethearts	51. Made of wood
13. Cap. of Cub	52. More submissive
14. Type of acid	53. Snug retreats
15. Gives up	DOWN
16. Search for gold	1. Smacks
17. Essay	2. Regional natives
19. Cravat	25. Evil
20. Twisted roll of fibers	27. Male swan
22. Troops	29. Tried
23. Remnant	31. Errors
24. Slavs	32. Empty space
26. Speeders	33. Two
28. Dine	35. Threes
30. Drench	36. Large wasp
31. Avoided	37. Anxiety
34. One and the other	39. Concoct
37. Jack-in-the-pulpit	41. Youths
38. U-boat	43. Persian tiger
40. Horse gait	44. Eng. college
42. Natl. Research Council, inits.	47. Commissioner of Public Ed, inits.
43. Put away	49. Mischief
45. Anger	



LOCAL WEATHER



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3. Employment

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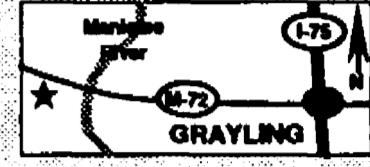
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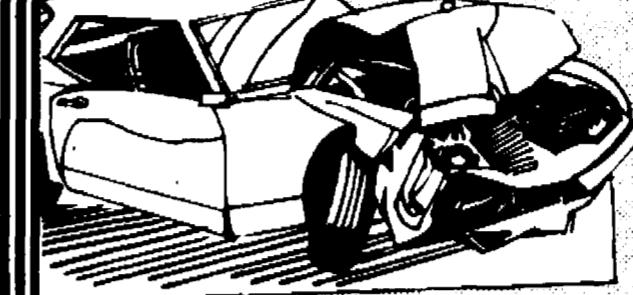


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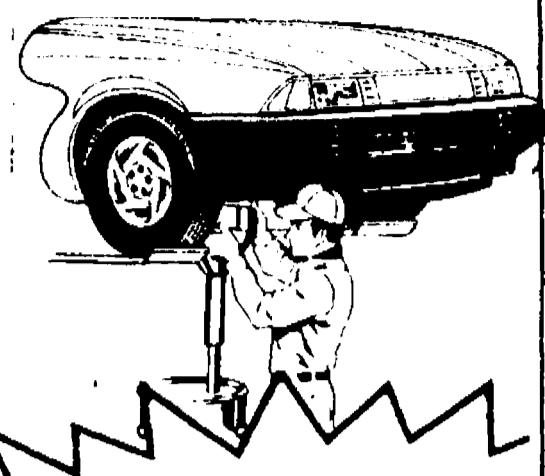
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In-service seminar teaches teachers integrated, interdisciplinary curriculum

By Linda Sherwood

Many parents are probably wondering exactly what happened on Monday and Tuesday during the teacher's in-service. The tables were turned on the teachers of the Crawford AuSable School District (CASD) as they became the students, complete with homework assignments.

During the 2-day teachers in-service earlier this week, area teachers were taught the process for developing integrated, interdisciplinary curriculum. The program was presented by Dr. Roger Taylor, an internationally known educational consultant who conducts workshops for teachers, administrators, parents and students about 220 days a year.

Taylor has helped thousands of K-12 teachers create integrated, interdisciplinary thematic curriculum appropriate for their students and assisted school districts with incorporating a team approach at the middle school level.

CASD has implemented team teaching at the sixth grade level. A presentation on team teaching will be made at the next school board meeting on Monday, Feb. 12.

During the presentation, teachers were grouped into teams of eight. Each of the teachers within a group were given a certain assignment, such as "group cheerleader" or "task master." The teachers were grouped by student ages, such as 8th grade, but a range of class subjects like art, English, math and science, as well as band or physical education.

The teachers, as a group, then decide on a "Big idea." Dr. Taylor then takes them through the steps of teaching the "big idea" by using a range of skills and disciplines.

The entire idea behind Dr. Taylor's presentation is that individual skills should not be taught in isolation, said Kent Reynolds, superintendent of CASD. When the kids see the relationship between subjects, they understand why it is important to learn and it also makes learning more interesting, he said.

Dr. Taylor stresses that any two subjects can be linked. What about incorporating English into a math class? Can it be done? How?

Not only can English be incorporated into math, it can also help students understand math better. Instead of having students complete a math problem, showing all of their work of

course, a teacher can ask a student to write the process of solving the problem. The student has to write out the steps to solving the problem in complete sentences with correct spelling. This helps the student analyze why two plus two equals four and helps the student become more familiar with the vocabulary used. Is the denominator the number on the top or the bottom in a fraction? (Here's a hint, the answer starts with a "b.")

The idea behind integrated learning is that all kids do not learn in the same way. Harvard professor Howard Gardner theorizes that intellectual capacity is divided up into seven areas. Each person is born with a unique combination of strengths and weaknesses in these seven areas, but that all of them can be more fully developed through education.

The seven areas are Linguistic, writing and public speaking; Logical/mathematical, science and math; Musical, composing and singing; Bodily/kinesthetic, sports and dance; Spatial, architecture and art; Interpersonal, teaching and management; and Intrapersonal, psychology and counseling.

The Linguistic learner likes to read, write and tell stories. He or she is good at memorizing names, places, dates, and trivia. The best way for a linguistic learner to learn is by saying, hearing and seeing words.

The Logical/Mathematical learner likes to do experiments, figure things out, work with numbers, ask questions and explore patterns and relationships. He or she is good at math, reasoning, logic and problem solving. The best way for a Logical/Mathematical person to learn is by categorizing, classifying and working with abstract patterns and relationships.

The Spatial learner likes to draw, build, design and create things. He or she also likes to daydream, look at pictures/slides, watch movies and play with machines. The spatial learner is good at imagining things, sensing changes, mazes/puzzles, and reading maps and charts. The best way for him or her to learn is by visualizing, dreaming, using the mind's eye and working with colors and pictures.

The Musical learner likes to sing, hum, listen to music, play an instrument and respond to music. He or she is good at picking up sounds, remembering melodies, noticing pitches and rhythms and keeping time. The best way for them to learn is by rhythm, melody and music.

The Bodily/kinesthetic learner likes to move around, touch and talk and use body language. He or she is good at physical activities like sports, dance or acting and crafts. They learn best by touching, moving, interacting with space and processing knowledge through bodily sensations.

The Interpersonal learner likes to have lots of friends, talk to people and join groups. He or she is good at understanding people, leading others, organizing, communicating, manipulating and mediating conflicts. They learn best by sharing, comparing, relating, cooperating and interviewing.

The Intrapersonal learner likes to work alone and pursue his or her own interests. He or she is good at under-

standing themselves, focusing inward on feelings and dreams, following their instincts, pursuing interests and goals and being original. The best way for them to learn is by working alone, individualized projects, self-paced instruction and having their own space.

By incorporating subjects and ways to learn, students no matter how they learn, are able to do just that. Dr. Taylor said some of the brightest students are spatial learners. They might not call it a hypotenuse of a triangle, said Taylor. They call it putting up a roof.

One group of teachers were working on a unit for 8th grade students. Their "big idea" was the AuSable River. Dr. Taylor suggests using music or film to help draw students to the era and theme of the big idea. For example, to introduce a unit on the AuSable River, a song with a river theme could be played like "The River" by Garth Brooks.

The first step is transmitting basic knowledge about the river. Ask the students to list five jobs or professions unique to Grayling based on the AuSable River. For example, lumbering and the fur trade.

The second step is determining the student's comprehension. The assignment could be having the student interview two people about how the AuSable River has or hasn't touched their lives.

The students then apply their knowledge. Again, Dr. Taylor suggests using movies to help introduce the subject. A short scene from "Deliverance" would work, specifically the scene where they were going down the river. The assignment could be for the students to create a timeline on how the AuSable River has been used from the earliest days until now. The time line could be three-dimensional.

The next challenge is creating a math/science link to the subject. Determining the number of gallons that passes over the City Park Dam per hour would be an example. Or the student could determine how much of a sports shop's income is generated from fisherman or canoeists.

Rewriting "Moon River" using the AuSable River and having lyrics related to Grayling and the AuSable could be a higher order thinking skill.

Dr. Taylor suggests students keep a daily journal for every subject. In addition, teachers should develop a 'homelink' as part of the unit. The homelink helps relate what the students are learning to the parents. The idea is that when parents ask their child what they learned in school today, the response won't be nothing. Instead the student could say, "We were talking about the AuSable River and discussing the problem of fisherman versus canoeists. Do you think they can coexist, Mom?"

Don't laugh, your child might not say it that way, but it does happen. Maybe it would be more like, "I didn't hit Mike, I was studying. Today, we learned about force. I was teaching Mike that the more power or speed behind my fist, the harder the force and the more the punch hurts." See learning can be fun, except maybe for Mike.

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